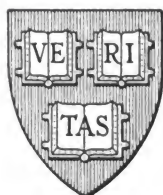




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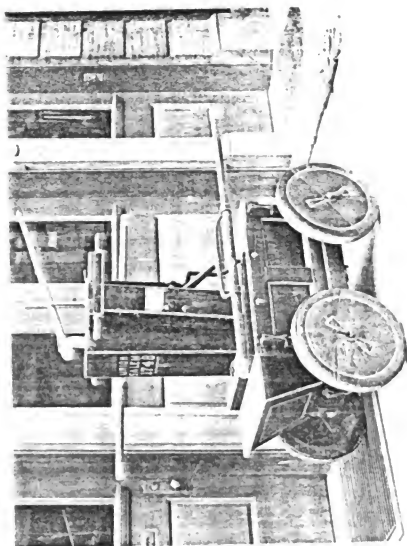


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THE FIRE CLUBS OF SALEM.

BY WILLIAM D. DENNIS.

THE march of improvement and invention in the Nineteenth Century has been very pronounced in many ways, but in few respects, if any, has it been more observable, than in the methods and appliances that are now in use for the locating and extinguishing of fires.

Today, in our large cities, fire-fighting is a regular business to which trained men devote their whole time, and even in smaller municipalities like our own, the same conditions obtain, although of course in a lesser degree.

The Fire Department of the present time, with its liberal appropriations from city and town governments; with its ingenious and elaborate system of electric alarm, giving at a moment's notice the exact location of a fire; the cleverly constructed and powerful steam fire-engines, in some cases self-propelling, which, with great force, can throw several streams of water at once, alike great in volume and in power; the very useful and indispensable chemical engine, which by prompt service and action is so effective in extinguishing many a fire in its incipient stages, and often without a general alarm; the extension-ladders, easily manipulated, by which great heights may be readily scaled; the water tower so effective among high buildings and so easily handled and controlled; all these appliances housed in buildings carefully planned

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and specially constructed for the purpose, with every improvement that can be had for the comfort of their occupants, and with every facility for the quickest response when duty calls, all these unite to make a strong working combination to combat the fire-fiend, handled as it is by capable, energetic and enthusiastic men, and forming a powerful, a systematic, and a thoroughly effective combination. When we consider, then, the appliances and methods in use at the present day, as I have briefly outlined them, it is interesting by way of contrast to go back to the early years of this community, and learn by what gradual stages our people have progressed from the rude and primitive methods of the olden time, to the finished and effective apparatus which is now in use.

It is not my purpose, however, to give in this paper a detailed history of the Salem Fire Department, interesting as such a history must necessarily be, for the reason that my subject does not lie wholly in that direction, although it has its place, and is closely identified with the beginnings of that department.

I am to say something of the Fire Clubs of Salem, giving some account of the reason for their existence, tell as briefly as I may of the kind of men who formed them, and recount some of the services which at least one of them performed, and that one I am inclined to believe is a fair sample of all. I can not well begin the consideration of the subject without some mention of the earlier efforts of our ancestors, in the way of protecting themselves from the ravages of fire.

The earliest recorded movement that I find in this direction, appears in the town records, under date of the xxv of 1st Mo. [March] 1644. "It is ordered that every inhabitant in the towne shall procure a ladder for his house, before the xxiiith day of the 4th moneth next, upon the paine or penaltie of five shillings for defect thereof."

As one means of regulating a very prolific cause of fires it was ordered, in 1653, that chimneys be regularly swept. Aug. 13, 1679, the records again say that, at a meeting of the selectmen, the following vote was passed: "Itt is ordered that there shall bee provided upon the townes Account, soo many hooks & Instruments as

may bee nessesary in Case of fire." These included two or three dozen cedar buckets, until leather buckets could be had.

Again we read: "Att a Generall Towne meeting Legally warned, held at Salem, December 18. 1699, voated, That y^e Selectmen doe Provide at y^e charge of y^e Towne, Twenty Watter buckets, good, and two Iron Hooks and Poles, to flasten hold on a house to pull itt downe when afire, & to be kept in y^e Towne House Garrett and marked T: S:"

The people of Salem at that day had good reason to take action to protect themselves from conflagrations, for the year previous occurred what was afterwards, for a period of seventy-six years, known as "The Great Fire." Several dwellings were burned on the spot, about the head of St. Peter street, now partly covered by the Essex House, the East India Marine Hall and Bowker Block, involving a loss of some £5,000. It was natural then that the townspeople should pass the vote here quoted.

The town evidently increased its stock of fire apparatus from time to time, for we learn that on the 7th of July, 1729, "some ladders and more hooks and buckets were ordered."

We can easily imagine the methods our fathers used when the alarm of fire was sounded. A fire was a very serious affair in a town like Salem, composed as it was of wooden buildings and compactly built, and particularly was this felt to be so after "the Great Fire."

On the occasion of an alarm, all of the townspeople who were able so to do would hasten to the scene of action, many of them taking buckets from their homes, while those owned by the Town would find ready use. The ancient custom of forming two lines of the people, in which doubtless the women and children had a part, was, we may believe, effectual on such occasions. The lines would reach from the nearest well or other source of water-supply to the fire; one set of workers passing the full buckets from one to the other until the contents were thrown upon the flames, while down the other line the emptied vessels were passed from hand to hand until the well was reached again.

There was at such times no regular organization to assume the direct charge of this work. There were no firewards, as such, though from 1679 the selectmen and a few others had been clothed with like powers, and no engineers or foremen to direct the movements of those so zealously and so busily engaged. We may however believe that on such occasions there must have been that natural leadership, which in times of emergency generally manifests itself, and is always effective in the management and direction of voluntary workers. We may also believe that in a community like Salem, and in the other towns as well, every good citizen was naturally interested in the preservation and safety of his neighbor's property when endangered, and all were ready and willing to perform their part when the occasion demanded.

It was natural then that, following in the line of progress, for Salem was a growing town, thriving in its business, and increasing in its population, while it was plain that good work might be done in times of need by unorganized volunteers, the time was approaching when some systematic movement was to be started.

In organization is strength, and some of the active, thinking men of the town began to realize this, and as a practical result of their deliberations we find that, in March, 1744, just a century after the first recorded action of the Town, twenty-eight or thirty of them formed what was afterwards known as the Old Fire Club, and this was the pioneer of the associations of the kind in the town, and the first organized movement that eventually led to the formation of a fire-department. The founders of the club were undoubtedly some of the leading business and professional men of this community. A list of the members, printed some years after its formation, gives, among others, such names as Benjamin Pickman, John Buffington, William Stearns, Edward Augustus Holyoke, Benjamin Goodhue, Joseph Grafton, Jonathan Peele, Francis Bowden Dennis and Edward Pulling. William Gray joined the club in 1790; Robert Leach was clerk for several years.

I am unable to state just how long this organization

continued its active work, but it probably survived well into the nineteenth century.

We gain a fair idea of the objects of the club by a study of its Articles or By Laws. The Preamble reads as follows :

"We, the subscribers, members of the Old Fire Club, so-called, having associated for the more speedy and effectual assistance of each other in securing our property when in danger by fire, have adopted and do agree to the following articles."

Briefly summarized, the articles provided :

1. That the membership of the Club shall be limited to 25.
2. That each member shall have two leather buckets in one of which shall be a bag two yards in length and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a yard in breadth, all with the owner's name marked thereon.
3. At an alarm of fire each member shall immediately repair, with his buckets and bag, to the dwelling house, ware-house or shop of that member which he apprehends most in danger, and use his best endeavors, by direction of the Owner if present, to receive and secure all his goods, under penalty of what the Society shall determine.
4. A watch word was required, whereby to know one another; every member to whisper it to the clerk, at each quarterly meeting, and to any other member when challenged, under penalty of 1s.
5. The members were to be acceptable to each other, for one negative vote would prevent any person from becoming a member of the Society.
6. Six ladders shall be procured by the Society, of such dimensions as the Society shall determine, painted and marked with the Society's name, and constantly kept in such places as the Society shall direct.

In this connection it is interesting to quote from the autobiography of Benjamin Franklin, who was instrumental in forming a Fire Club in Philadelphia in 1737, some seven years previous to the organization of the Old Fire Club in Salem. He says: "I wrote a paper on the different accidents and carelessnesses by which houses were set on fire, with cautions against them and means proposed of avoiding them. This was spoken of as a useful piece, and gave rise to a project which soon

followed it, of forming a company for the more ready extinguishing of fires, and mutual assistance in removing and securing of goods when in danger. Associates to this scheme were presently found, amounting to thirty. Our articles of agreement obliged every member to keep always in good order, and fit for use, a certain number of leathern buckets, with strong bags and baskets (for packing and transporting of goods), which were to be brought to every fire; and we agreed about once a month to spend a social evening together, in discoursing and communicating such ideas as occurred to us upon the subject of fires, as might be useful in our conduct on such occasions."

He further says: "The utility of this institution soon appeared, and many more desiring to be admitted than we thought convenient for one company, they were advised to form another, which was accordingly done; and thus went on one new company after another, till they became so numerous as to include most of the inhabitants who were men of property."

While the Old Fire Club was organized for the mutual benefit of the members, it is safe to assume that their efforts were not exclusively confined within these limits, but were at the service of their fellow citizens.

There is reason to believe that the formation and practical working of this club were an incentive to other good people of the town to improve still further the prevailing conditions as regarded the extinguishing of fires; for, at a town-meeting on the 20th of March, 1749, Richard Derby and others were granted leave "to buy a fire engine, be a company for it, & were excused from town offices," and if any one of them remove or die, his son to succeed him as a member."

In March, 1750, the town accepted the engine provided by these men. This engine was called the "Union," and was a small affair. It had no suction, but had to be filled from buckets. It remained in possession of one of our local hand-engine companies for many years, and in July, 1866, was presented to the William Penn Fire Association of Philadelphia, at that time on a visit to Salem as guests of the William Penn Hose Company of

this city; a photograph of it has been obtained through the courtesy of the present owners. While this engine was not the first to be used in this country, it is probably the oldest in existence in our land today, and we must regret that it was ever allowed to leave Salem. It is recorded that in 1654 Joseph Jenks built a fire-engine in Lynn, for the town of Boston. This engine antedates our own "Union" by nearly a century, but the nature of it is not a matter of record.

On the 4th of March, 1751, the Hon. Benjamin Lynde and others purchased another fire-engine and the town accepted it. Salem had now a Fire Club and two Engine Companies, and in order to have some recognized authority in fire matters, the Town appointed, under an act of the Province passed in 1744, several persons to act as Fire Wardens, whose duty it was to take charge of fires, keep the lines of bucket-passers well filled, see that every man did his duty, and exercise that general discretion which a view of the whole field made possible. In after years these officials were provided with stout poles five feet long, tipped with brass spear-heads, as emblems of their authority. Some of these poles are preserved in our collections.

But two engines did not long suffice, and in November, 1767, Benjamin Pickman, one of the members of the Old Fire Club, and a public-spirited citizen, imported an engine from London, at a cost of £73, 4s. 6d., and a third Engine Company was formed.

Sept. 13, 1770, a second Fire Club was organized and was named the Union. Like its predecessor this club was also composed of prominent citizens of the town, for some of its members were Joseph Sprague, Zachariah Burchmore, William West, John Dutch, Benjamin Daland and Nathan Pierce. David Mason and Robert Foster, who were prominent at the North Bridge in February, 1775, were also members, as was Joseph Hiller, the first collector of the Port of Salem, under the Federal Constitution. The first article of its By-Laws reads as follows:

"That if God in his Providence should permit the breaking out of fire in Salem, we will endeavour to be helpful to one another in extinguishing the same, and

taking care of each other's goods, according to the best of our judgments; and we will repair with our buckets and bag to that member and follow his directions if present."

The other articles are on substantially the same lines as those of the Old Fire Club, as regards the supplying of the members with buckets and bag, but penalties were provided in case they should be without these indispensable appliances. A lack of buckets would subject the delinquent to a fine of 8 pence, while it would cost him 4 pence to be without a canvas bag.

One curious provision of the by-laws was to the effect that each member should serve in turn as Clerk. Any member refusing was to pay a fine of 8 shillings, and the next person in order should "serve or pay the fine."

The Clerk's duty was to "moderate at meetings; to observe the condition of the buckets and bag of each member, at the time when he warns the meetings; to secure all fines and account for the same to the company; to pay the reckoning at each meeting before 9 o'clock; and attend himself all meetings that may be called, on penalty of 2 shillings."

Next in order came the Social Fire Club, formed in 1774, a year memorable in the annals of Salem, as being that of the great conflagration which destroyed Rev. Dr. Whittaker's church, the Custom House, eight dwellings, and fourteen stores and shops about Town House Square. The church stood about on the site of what is now the Perley block on Essex street. This was a time when the three fire-clubs and the three engine-companies had plenty of business on hand. Of the fourth club formed no record seems to have been found.

Other Fire Clubs were organized from time to time, the full list being as follows:

Number Five	in 1783.
Social No. 2	" 1793.
Amity	" 1796.
Relief	" 1803.
Washington	" 1803.
Adroit	" 1806.
Active	" 1806.

Hamilton	in 1809.
Enterprise	" 1810.
Union and Amity	" 1812.
Volant	" 1816.
Adroit No. 2	" 1831.
Naumkeag	" 1832.

The "Boston Street," the "Alert," and the "Sons of Temperance," were also on the list of Fire Clubs, but I am unable to give the dates of their organization.

With some five exceptions, I have not been able to obtain any particulars of these Clubs. Some of them evidently had a brief existence, while others lived for a long period. It was the custom of at least one Club to hold its business meetings at the houses of its members. I have seen an old notice to this effect, which reads as follows :

"Salem, Sept. 1, 1791.

The Number Five Fire Club will meet at the house of Samuel Robinson at 7 o'clock next Thursday evening when your company is desired.

B. WEBB, Clerk.

To Capt. M. DERBY, JR."

The Relief Fire Club, organized in 1803, had a notable membership. On one of the printed lists of members I find the names of Joseph S. Cabot, Stephen C. Phillips, Asahel Huntington, David Pingree and Nathaniel Silsbee, Jr., all of whom have served our city with honor and fidelity in the Mayor's chair, in days when the position was not the prize of incompetent seekers for public office, but was a trust placed by the people in the hands of high minded and honorable men. The legal profession was well represented in this Club, for such men as Otis P. Lord, Nathaniel J. Lord, George Wheatland and Joseph G. Waters were enrolled therein.

The Washington Fire Club was also associated in 1803, Oct. 10 of that year being the date of its formation. Among the charter members were John Barr, Philip Chase, Ichabod Tucker, John Pickering, Jr., Nathaniel Bowditch and Abijah Northey, Jr. Benjamin Merrill,

the eminent lawyer, joined the club in 1817, — as did Daniel A. White, who for many years was Judge of Probate for the County of Essex.

The articles which governed this Club are interesting. "Whereas," they begin, "many important advantages have resulted from the institution of Fire Clubs, by affording relief and security to the persons and property of each other when in danger by fire, and by promoting harmony and good friendship among the members of such association. We the subscribers agree to form ourselves into a company by the name of the Washington Fire Club, and for the good order of the same do assent to and adopt the following articles."

This club was limited to forty members by Article I, and unanimous consent was required to elect a member. "If a candidate is rejected, he cannot be balloted for at the same meeting, nor at any future meeting, unless as many members are present as were at the time he was rejected."

In addition to the regulation buckets and bag to be owned by the individual members, it was provided that four ladders, two of 25 feet in length, and two of 34 feet, should be procured by the club for its exclusive benefit, painted and marked with the club's name, and constantly kept in such places as it should direct. A penalty of two dollars was provided for lending or removing the ladders.

If any member should lose his buckets or bag at a fire, the same would be replaced at the club's expense, having previously been "cried by the Town Crier."

An acquaintance on the part of the members with the premises of their associates was early determined upon, for, at a meeting held Dec. 17, 1804, it was voted: "That the Clerk, at every meeting, is directed to call upon each member to describe the particular situation of some other member's house, and if any member shall be unable to answer, he shall pay a fine of twenty-five cents."

I have had access to the records of three Fire Clubs, and from these records I have learned something of the work which they have done in a practical way in times of danger, and I have also read something of their doings in

a social way, when they were accustomed to gather at their yearly feasts. A complete set of the records of the Active Fire Club has been deposited with the Essex Institute, and they contain much that is of interest.

This club was formed Feb. 20, 1806, and at the meeting for organization Seth Low was Moderator and Joseph Hale was Clerk. Seth Low was the father of Abiel Abbot Low, through whose generous benefactions many of our Salem young people have been assisted in obtaining a college education, and grandfather of Seth Low, now mayor of New York City. Mr. Low continued a member of the club until he left Salem to reside in Brooklyn in 1829. The Preamble of the Club's Articles is interesting as it was prepared by Mr. Low. It reads in this wise :

"Convinced of the necessity of vigorous and well directed exertions in cases of fire, and having witnessed the confusion that usually prevails on such occasions, and the frequent, unnecessary loss and destruction of property through rash and precipitious conduct, we, the subscribers, in order to give energy to our conduct, and more effectually aid in extending protection to persons and property endangered by fire, agree to form ourselves into a company, and assume the name of the Active Fire Club, and for the good order of the same submit to the following articles." These are similar in their nature to those of the other Fire Clubs, which I have herein quoted.

The membership of this club, from its beginning in 1806 until its dissolution in 1877, was composed of the same class of men as were enrolled in the ranks of its predecessors, men well known in our city, and men who have had a prominent part in public affairs.

In the long and honorable line of Moderators I note such names as Col. Joseph G. Sprague, Col. Henry Whipple, Dr. Geo. Choate, Judge Elisha Mack, Col. Francis Peabody, Capt. James Upton, Albert G. Browne, Francis Cox and Richard C. Manning, together with some others who have served our city honestly and faithfully in the capacity of Mayor. Among these I may mention Stephen P. Webb, Henry L. Williams, Henry K. Oliver and Joseph B. F. Osgood. Capt. Joseph Cloutman, a

long time our City Clerk, was one of the Moderators, and all of them were of more or less note in the affairs of this community. Joseph Hale, grandfather of Col. Henry A. Hale, was the first Clerk; he was followed by Eben Worcester who served for thirteen years; then Jonathan Perley, senior, one of the original members, held the position for forty years, until his decease in 1863. His son Jonathan succeeded him and continued in office as long as the club existed, until 1877.

The Active Fire Club had a watchword, and I find it noted several times in the records of the annual meetings. Some of these words were: "Strong" "O! Yes," "Active," "Ready," and one queer word, the meaning of which I do not comprehend, "Quisy."

Our fathers adopted some rules which to us seem very strict. For example, in the by-laws of the Town of Salem, adopted in 1805, I find this: "Ordered, that no person shall smoke any pipe or segar in any street, highway, lane or public building in said town by day or night, under penalty of forfeiting for every offence the sum of three dollars."

If such a by-law was in effect today, and was to any degree enforced, I am afraid that the payment of fines incurred by smoking in some of our public buildings, would cut very deeply into the salaries of some of our officials; but, on the other hand, it would relieve the burden of taxation.

Our fathers were law-abiding people, and there seems to have been a concerted movement among the Fire Clubs, looking to the enforcement of the town by-laws, and this one in particular, for we read that, at a meeting of the Washington Fire Club, held June 18, 1806, it was voted "that a committee be chosen of this club to confer with a committee or committees that may be chosen by any other Fire Clubs, respecting the adoption of some measures to carry into effect the by-laws of this town against smoaking segars in the streets," and "Ichabod Tucker, John Prince and Joseph Moriarty be a committee for the purpose above named."

The Union Fire Club previously passed a vote to the effect, "that the members of this club will concur in any

measure that they can judge proper, to carry into effect the by-laws of this town against smoking segars in the streets," and the Active Fire Club promptly gave its assent to the proposition by appointing John Jenks, Theodore Morgan and Samuel Goodhue as a committee to confer upon the matter. It is evident from this action that the Fire Clubs were composed of men who were in favor of law and order. The records are silent as to the result of their deliberations, and we can not learn just what line of action was taken.

The early records of the Enterprise Fire Club have recently been deposited with the Essex Institute, and from them I learn that the club was associated, Dec. 3, 1810. John Freeland, Joseph McCoub and John Adams, Jr., were appointed a committee to draft articles, and they performed their duty well. The introduction to the articles is a good sample of the result of their labors:

"Whereas, many important advantages have resulted from the laudable institutions of Fire Clubs, as they are not only calculated to afford relief and assistance to the persons and property of each other when in danger by fire, but also to promote harmony and good friendship among the members hereof; we, the subscribers, accordingly agree to form ourselves into a company by the name of the Enterprise Fire Club, and for the good order of the same do assent to and adopt the following articles."

Joseph McCoub was the first Moderator, and Daniel Millett the first Clerk. There were thirty-three members at the organization, but they soon attained the limit of their membership which was originally set at forty. In later years the number was increased to sixty.

Among the charter members were John Howard, John West, Nathaniel Appleton, Nathaniel Trumbull, Daniel Millett, William Harris and Abraham True; and in after years there were enrolled such men as Putnam I. Farnham, Peter E. Webster, Warwick Palfray, Lott Alden, Lemuel B. Hatch, Asa C. Dix, Daniel P. Fitz, Charles A. Ropes, Thomas H. Johnson and Gen. Geo. H. Peirson. Mr. Fitz was Clerk for many years. David P. Waters was the last elected Moderator, with Tristram T. Savory as Clerk.

The records of this club are very concise, and one volume contains the transcript of over sixty years, all recorded in the briefest possible terms. In many instances half a dozen lines suffice for the record of a meeting, and an almost invariable form of closing the account was "after transacting the usual business of the Club it was voted to adjourn." The annual feasts never failed to give great satisfaction, for often it is recorded that "thanks as usual were voted to Mr. Leavitt for the good supper."

This Club, and its younger neighbor, the Naumkeag Fire Club, were, when the nineteenth century closed, the sole survivors of all the organizations of this kind in Salem, and it has met regularly until within two years. Its annual meetings especially have long been noted as seasons of sociability and good cheer. The records of the Naumkeag Fire Club are more complete and give more details of its active and social work than do the records of the other clubs which I have examined, and I am able to transcribe many interesting particulars.

In July, 1832, a number of the young business and professional men of the town met at the office of David Roberts for the purpose of organizing a new Fire Club. There were present David Roberts, then a young lawyer; Henry Hale, for many years after to be favorably known in the hardware trade; Caleb Foote, 29 years of age, even then part owner of the Salem Gazette, of which, in another year he was to be the sole proprietor. There was John Bertram, just retiring from twenty years' service in an active, seafaring life, and even then entering on his long and prosperous mercantile career. There was Benjamin F. Browne, the druggist, William Ives, the publisher of the Salem Observer, together with Jeremiah S. Perkins, then a merchant tailor, David Pulsifer, a well-known painter, Joseph Shatswell and Isaac H. Frothingham, Aaron Perkins and Stephen Osborne, George Southward, the artist, and others, all representative men, all highly esteemed and respected by their fellow citizens. Twenty-six years before, Joseph Hale, the father of Henry Hale, was one of the leaders in the formation of the Active Fire Club. It was therefore

quite appropriate for Henry Hale, the son, to be one of the leaders at the beginning of a new Club of this kind.

On motion of Henry Hale it was voted to call this association the Naumkeag Fire Club. Messrs. Jeremiah S. Perkins, David Roberts, William Brown, Jr., Joseph Pulsifer and Benjamin S. Newhall were appointed a committee to draft rules and regulations.

It was voted that each member be provided with a set of fire buckets, a bag and a bed-key, and those who can remember that complicated and perplexing affair, the old-fashioned corded bed, will readily perceive the wisdom of securing the last named article as one of the requisites of the club. Without it no four-post bedstead could be taken in pieces.

William Osborn, Aaron Perkins and John Bertram were appointed a committee to ascertain the cost of the articles before named.

On the 18th of July the several committees reported and the organization of the Club was perfected with a roll of forty-two members.

The Preamble to the Rules and Regulations was plain in language but expressive: "We, the subscribers, in order to render effective aid in protecting each other's property when endangered by fire, hereby agree to associate ourselves together and be known by the name of the Naumkeag Fire Club, which shall be governed by the following rules and regulations:" and these are substantially the same as those of the other Fire Clubs.

Dr. Benjamin F. Browne was chosen the first President, and Henry Hale was elected Clerk, but declined the position, and Joseph Chisholm was chosen in his place, and served faithfully until his decease in 1885, a period of over fifty-three years. Joseph Chisholm was a line and twine manufacturer and for many years his place of business was on Mill Hill, as it was once called, now Washington street, and nearly opposite Harbor street. His ropewalk was the last of the establishments of that kind in our city, and he continued in the business as long as he lived. He was a very genial, honorable, high minded man, a good citizen, "whose fidelity in his walk in life may

stand as an example to those who fill wider spheres, and discharge more conspicuous duties."

As indicating the business conditions of Salem in 1832, when the Naumkeag Fire Club was organized, a note of the Secretary's, which I find in the records, is of interest. "At this time," he says, "our good old town enjoyed a commercial prosperity, second to none perhaps in New England. We then had in active business, the Peabodys (Joseph and Augustus), father and son, who owned about forty square-rigged vessels; Pickering Dodge, who occupied the store on Derby Street (now Central, and at present occupied by the Ropes Brothers), and owned several ships: Putnam I. Farnham and Frye, the Fabens brothers, Ben. Creamer, David and Thomas Pingree, Robert Upton, Stephen and Michael Shepard, Gideon Tucker, Robert Brookhouse, John Bertram and Joseph Shatswell, the two last named being members of our club. At this time there were six distilleries in active operation in Salem, turning molasses into rum, and this article, with gunpowder, were the principal commodities which our merchants shipped to Africa, receiving in return Palm Oil, Hides, Ivory and Gold Dust."

Like all the other Fire Clubs the Naumkeag was fortunate in the class of men who constituted its membership. I mention here a few of those who have served as President as fair examples of the other members. Four of them have been mayors of Salem. On this list I find the names of David Roberts, Dr. Edward A. Holyoke, James Chamberlain, Abraham Kimball, James Kimball, Stephen Osborn, Charles W. Upham, William Ives, Caleb Foote, Daniel H. Mansfield, Rufus B. Gifford and Samuel Calley. Among the former Presidents who are still living, I note the names of Henry W. Peabody, Samuel G. Jones, John H. Bell, John M. Raymond, Joseph N. Peterson, Edward Collins, Josiah B. Osborn and Frank A. Newell. The last elected President was Herbert Osborn and the writer of this paper has served as Secretary since the decease of Mr. Chisholm.

At the fiftieth anniversary of the Club in 1882, one of the members, of a poetical turn of mind, read some

rhymes in which he pleasantly introduced the names of many prominent members, and from this I quote :

" Yet we may well be proud
Of the names upon that list !
As their memories round us crowd,
Oh ! how their forms are missed !
The druggist of antiquarian taste,
Regular as a clock, but never in haste,
As a 'Dartmoor Prisoner' known in town,
Was our first President,—Doctor Browne.
Holyoke, Roberts and others did preside,
Who in the passing years have died.
But who the living Presidents? you inquire.
I answer Perkins, Benjamin, Aaron and Jeremiah,
And Pulsifer, Chamberlain, Loring, Jones and Calley—
We wish they all were present at this rally !
If we, to heal the sick, had power,
We'd send for Aaron Perkins for an hour,—
His hands to grasp, his honest face to see,—
The handsomest of all the handsome three !
May we not look for Jeremiah?
Whose anecdotes can never tire,—
Of whom it truly can be said
He's gentle to the living, careful of the dead !
But of all glad words of my tongue or pen,
Of these three Perkinses, here is Ben !
Amongst all the names upon that roll
Of living and dead, there's not a soul
Whose deeds compare, before or since,
With good John Bertram, our Merchant Prince !
His magnificent gifts to the sick and poor,
In old Salem will make his fame endure !
You see our list is honored well
In names too many for me to tell ;
But this last name of generous friend,
A noted list will nobly end !"

In the twenty years that have passed since these lines were written, all the men alluded to therein have joined the "great and silent majority" with the exception of Mr. Samuel G. Jones, who is still living and a resident of Salem.

So much for the membership of the Naumkeag Fire Club, a club which has furnished two congressmen, four

mayors, several senators and a score or more of representatives to the General Court, to say nothing of that large number who have served our city in the board of aldermen, on the school committee and in the common council. It is well now to say something of the active work of the organization in times when prompt action was demanded.

At a special meeting, Sept. 10, 1835, Mr. David Pulsifer stated in warm terms his appreciation of the club's services and usefulness at his house when recently on fire. He remarked that the person who first gave the alarm to his family was a member of the club.

The fire alluded to occurred the week before and burned the house of Joshua Loring on Marlboro street, now Federal, opposite the First Baptist church. Mr. Pulsifer's house was on Lynde street in the rear of the burned premises on Marlboro street. The house of Mr. David Perkins on Lynde street was also in danger. Mr. Perkins was a member of the Active Fire Club, which was true to its name on this occasion. It is stated that, at this fire, the Active Club removed the effects of Mr. Perkins with great care and returned them to the house without damage. A bowl containing milk was one of the articles removed, and was returned without losing any of its contents.

Feb. 17, 1837, is noted for two reasons. First, it was a very cold day, the thermometer indicating 3° below zero, and a cutting storm of snow and sleet was raging. Second, a serious fire occurred on Bridge street, during which the large ropewalks of William Stickney and Joshua Safford were entirely consumed. The ropewalk of Stephen Whitmore, Jr., was in great danger, and the Naumkeag Fire Club took charge of the building and contents, in connection with the Enterprise Fire Club, of which the senior Mr. Whitmore's partner was a member. The stock and manufactured articles together with some of the tools were removed to a place of safety. In about an hour the building was declared out of danger, and the tools and unfinished manufactures were returned to the place whence they were taken, while the finished products were stored in a barn opposite.

As showing the zeal and faithfulness of the club, it is worthy of note that, at the roll-call after the fire, forty members responded to their names; while five others had been present at the fire but were obliged to leave before the names were called, and of the remainder only six were absent without leave.

March 25, 1844, Mayor Stephen P. Webb said, in the course of his inaugural address, "We have much cause for thankfulness in our continued exemption from the frightful ravages of fire, to which our neighbors have been exposed the past year. No building within the limits of the city has been destroyed by fire, and but one alarm which attracted general attention has been given. One building only has been destroyed by fire in this city since Oct. 18, 1839." But this happy period of immunity was soon to come to an end, and on Dec. 18, 1844, occurred the great fire in Front street. It started in the steam saw-mill of James N. Buffum, and destroyed seven buildings on Front street, four on Lafayette street, and nine on Fish street, together with a large quantity of merchandise, the total loss being estimated at \$100,000. One of the buildings burned was the three-story dwelling house of Mr. Joseph Shatswell on Front street. Mr. Shatswell was a member of the Naumkeag Fire Club, and at one of the meetings he thus relates his experience. He says: "By the great Front street fire my house was burned. It was insured in Boston. I went to the Insurance Office and stated my loss. The President of the office asked me, 'had you your furniture insured?' 'No, sir,' was my reply. 'How long have you kept house?' 'Sixteen years.' 'You might as well not have had it insured, for we should have charged you extra insurance, wear and tear and breakage in moving.' 'I belong,' I said, 'to the Naumkeag Fire Club of sixty members. On the alarm of fire they repaired to my house, put a guard to my front door,—removed my furniture and all my valuable papers to a place of safety.' 'I wish,' said the President, 'that we had more such organizations in Boston. I would give them a supper myself every year.'" Mr. Shatswell further remarked, that the President instructed the secretary of the Company to make out a check for \$2500, the full amount of the insurance upon the house, and to pay the same over to Mr. Shatswell before he left the office.

At this same fire the property of members Chamberlain, Pulsifer and Pond was in danger, and the Club kept a vigilant watch thereon ready to act if their services should be required. At this fire old "Concert Hall" was consumed and the Phoenix Building has replaced it. This was a hall of a good deal of historical interest. It was built in 1793, by a syndicate of leading merchants, in order to provide the Town with an up-to-date Market-House (we had no Town Hall then) and also to furnish the down-in-town section with a convenient assembly-room. The first floor was arranged with stalls, and for a time an excellent market was maintained there, but popular feeling was against it, many buyers preferring to trade in the old way from the cart's tail, at their own doors. Later the lower story was leased to Nathaniel Safford for the hardware business. The second floor had been elaborately finished for balls, concerts, lectures, jugglery, and classes in dancing, singing and fencing, and all sorts of social entertainments. Hamilton Hall was built in 1805, but it was built by Federalists, and so was the Federal Street Assembly House, built in 1782, and the down-town element was Republican, and the two parties did not mix much in social matters. Ex-Mayor and Ex-Congressman Saltonstall is said to have rushed down in dressing-gown and slippers from his study in Chestnut St., in response to the Front street alarm and, when nothing could be done to save the hall, to have stood by and wept at the thought of happy evenings he had passed there. Passing by several fires of more or less importance, we come to the second fire at the Franklin building, Jan. 4, 1859. The first fire at this building occurred Jan. 29, 1845, and resulted in serious loss. On the occasion of the second fire the members of the Naumkeag Fire Club rallied promptly, although it was a cold winter's morning and a driving snowstorm was raging.

The records say: "Our esteemed member, David Roberts, Esq., was an occupant of rooms on the second floor. By the timely aid of members attending and under the direction of Capt. Charles Upton, our President, and Mr. Mark Kimball, Mr. Roberts's books, papers and furniture were for the most part soon deposited in a place of comparative safety. Mr. Roberts sought a new location

and before noon, all his effects were safely, though in a disordered condition, placed in his newly acquired rooms on Washington Street." The dwellings and places of business of James Emerton and James Kimball and the place of business of Mr. Isaac P. Noyes were near the Franklin building and in danger, and the vigilant members of the club kept a faithful watch on these premises until the danger was past. At the next meeting Mr. Roberts expressed very earnestly his deep sense of the utility of the Naumkeag Fire Club, and his obligations to the members for the assistance afforded him.

On the 8th of June, 1859, Salem was visited by a most destructive conflagration which has since been known as the Mansion House Fire. Starting in the Mansion House stables in the West Yard, the flames spread with great rapidity and caused great destruction of property, and the loss of one life. The Mansion House, which stood on the site of the main building now occupied by Almy, Bigelow and Washburn, was destroyed, and the fire extended to Church street on the north, and to St. Peter street on the east, barely avoiding the Essex House, and involving the loss of thirteen buildings including stores, dwelling houses, stables, workshops, etc. The West Yard, or Mansion House Yard, was a busy hive then, with something of a history. It opened out both on Church street and on Essex street. The Mansion House was an old gambrel-roofed homestead, built by Colonel Turner on the site of the "King's Arms" Tavern, and later bought by Captain Nathaniel West, who loaned it for the entertainment of President Jackson in 1833. The yard in the rear was surrounded with a line of mechanics' shops, grouped there in order to be able to do every branch of carriage-work for the stage-companies and others. There were wheelwrights and blacksmiths and upholsterers and painters and harness-makers,—first-rate workmen all,—and here began the great carriage-building enterprise of the Brothers Abbott, who removed to Concord, New Hampshire, and have since supplied the travelling world with Concord wagons and stage-coaches. It was a hard night for the firemen and they worked like heroes. Engines were present from all the surrounding towns and did valuable service. The firemen were not dismissed until late the next forenoon, having worked from seven to twelve

consecutive hours. There was work too for all of the Fire Clubs, and we may believe that they were busily employed. Mr. James A. Farless, a member of the Naumkeag Fire Club, conducted the hardware business in a store located in what is now the Perkins building next to the West estate. This store had a wooden annex used as a ware-room, and extending into the West Yard. The members of the Club took charge of Mr. Farless's store. Then most of them worked packing up his goods and removing them to the armory of the Salem Light Infantry in the Phoenix building, of which company Mr. Farless was captain. Several of the members were busily employed in throwing water from buckets on the wooden part, and by so doing kept the fire back. But for this it might have burned the entire building, and gone south or east across Essex street or to the Essex House. No water could be spared by the fire department for it was busily employed in other parts of the fire. For two hours the boarding was prevented from blazing, through the effective work of those members of the Club who threw on the water so industriously. It is pleasant to note a remark of Mr. Farless, when complimenting the members of the Club upon their work, in which he says, "The members were so careful in handling my goods, that it was wonderful how free from damage those goods were, and how small a proportion of the stock was ultimately missing."

"The third time never fails,"—so goes the adage—and applied to the Franklin building it proved a true saying, for in the early morning of Oct. 21, 1860, that structure was again a prey to the flames, and this time it was totally destroyed. In the record of this fire, Secretary Chisholm says:

"In the early stages the property of Mr. James Emerton, and of Mr. Noyes of the firm of Brooks and Noyes, members of the Club, was greatly imperilled. Many of the goods of the firm were removed and subsequently restored when the danger had passed. Mr. Emerton's store was occupied by some of the members until the fire was under control." The Secretary further remarks: "In the case of this fire, as in previous instances, extraordinary efforts in the duties belonging to the practiced fireman were made by some of our members. On this occasion the efforts were well timed, judicious and

effective. One instance of the cool bravery and energy of a young member, one who finds his Alma Mater in Old Harvard, may be particularized. He was on the roof of the store of Brooks and Noyes, spreading sails and throwing buckets of water on them, and performing this with the same composure that one would water a flower garden."

This "young member" was William P. Upham, a most valued member of the Essex Institute, and his associate at the time was Secretary Chisholm, who modestly omits any reference to his own part in this work until some years later when the records again make an allusion to the incident, and say: "At the last great Franklin building fire, the club had charge of Member Noyes' store; two of our members, William P. Upham and myself, held the sail down on the roof for hours. It was plain that he was a much bolder fireman than I." It was a cold drizzling rain storm at the time.

The Secretary observes: "This shows that our voluntary association for the purpose of protecting and securing movables leads the associated to efforts on a still broader scale, even to the abatement of the cause of danger, to deeds of self sacrifice, attended with peril, equally with those performed by the recognized and practised firemen."

This fire occurred at the time when the Steam Fire Engine was new to our department, the Steamer "William Chase" having been received in Salem the previous May. One of the local papers thus alludes to its performance on this occasion. "The Steam Fire Engine worked for about twenty minutes and then gave out; and, after an hour's delay was again set at work, and again gave out; thus showing that 'steam squirts' cannot always be depended upon."

There was a serious accident in connection with this fire. At about nine o'clock in the morning the attention of the Chief Engineer, Mr. William Chase, was called to some flames near the centre of the building, and while he was in the structure the walls fell in, burying him in the ruins, together with police officer Joseph Peterson and Mr. George W. Estes. Fortunately, they were quickly rescued, and, with the exception of Mr. Chase whose right

ankle was broken, their injuries were not of a serious nature.

It was a curious coincidence that Mr. Chase had a leg broken at the burning of the same building sixteen years before; and one of the same men who assisted in extricating him then performed the same service this time, and removed him to the same house.

I will briefly recount the doings of the Club at one other of Salem's great fires, that of the Lynde Block which occurred Monday May 14, 1866. This fire started in a stable which stood on the site of Academy Hall. "The flames grazed the East India Marine Hall, struck the Lander House, soon attacked the Lynde Block, and before three o'clock A. M. that building and two dwelling houses on Liberty street were destroyed." The house of Capt. George Harrington, a member of the Club, on Liberty street, was in great danger, and the members rallied promptly to his assistance. A large portion of his goods and furniture was removed. The crisis having passed, a meeting of the Club was held on the premises at 9.30 Tuesday morning; Thomas Nichols presided in the absence of President Daniel H. Mansfield. Captain Mansfield had been present during the night, having left the bedside of a sick brother to attend the fire. The brother died in the night, and this caused the President's absence from the meeting.

Committees were appointed to recognize the goods of Captain Harrington and report on the same. Reports were made and an adjournment made to half past two o'clock the same day. The members met according to adjournment, and collected and restored to the member's dwelling house most of the articles which had been removed.

It will thus be seen, from these brief accounts of the services of the Club at some of the most important fires in our city, that it faithfully carried out the leading objects for which it was founded. These are but a few instances of its good work in this line, but they are sufficient to show its character.

There was another phase of its work, of which not so much has been said, and that was, the giving of practical, financial aid to deserving recipients on several occasions.

One instance is recorded of a worthy member of the Club who suffered serious loss by fire and was generously remembered by his associates; at another time the sum of \$100 was donated to the sufferers by fire at Fall River.

After the club had been in existence for some years, the following vote was passed: "Voted: that the President of this Club be authorized and required at each annual or quarterly meeting to call for five volunteers, whose duty it shall be to learn by actual sight the localities of the Business and Residences of each member of the Club within the City's territory." This committee would accompany the secretary on his rounds when he notified the members of the several meetings.

In commenting on the system of these quarterly visits the secretary says: "The utility of these quarterly circuits by a committee of the Club is undeniable. They educate the members, a few at a time, in a knowledge of localities, and are manifest pulsations which show us to be a living body." He further says, "Each house and place of business has its articles of value and interest, and by a knowledge of such places we are able to give our directors, our acknowledged leaders, an intelligent support."

The Fire Clubs had other duties to perform than to attend fires and to save property. It was one of their cardinal principles to "promote harmony and good friendship among their members," and one great means to this end was the annual feast, and to most of them this was the leading event of the year. The Naumkeag Fire Club continued this custom for some years, then varied it by an occasional summer excursion, then dispensed with their suppers for a time, but finally renewed this pleasant feature, which afterwards proved to be very popular and attractive.

From and after the revival of the annual supper in 1867, the records are full of the sayings and doings of the members at these pleasant gatherings, and are faithfully recorded by the secretary. They were times of great enjoyment to that worthy official who often inserted observations of his own while transcribing the sayings of others. "The family board," said he, "is a daily feast. Instead of assembling at one table, each one might eat his crust by himself. But we come together socially

three times each day, as was the custom of our fathers, and at the family table we correct our natural coarseness, and enlarge our social faculties. As a Fire Club we assemble in a greater family circle, for the purpose of observing each other, to see if we are the men that we would entrust with father, mother, wife, daughter, valuables, deeds, conveyances, in the hour of that most terrible of all calamities when fire has encircled our dwellings."

The after dinner proceedings at these annual meetings were interesting and are faithfully recorded. On one occasion President David Roberts gives an interesting account of the Salem Fire Clubs and their doings, and recalls several of the great fires that have occurred in Salem. At another time I find recorded the substance of a "colloquy" between two veteran editors, Messrs. William Ives and Caleb Foote, which was "suggestive, instructive, and amusing." Its theme was the "doings of a long time ago: the times when men differed in opinions on political questions to such a degree as to destroy social intercourse between them, and dignified citizens pummelled each other in the streets to emphasize their differences. The days of the Embargo and the War of 1812 were touched upon; the news of Peace in 1815, 'when all men got boozy' yet not all, for witness saw many a thoughtful brow that day and night." Those days were trying because of the poverty among the people. Even sea-captains and men of fair estate scoured the peat-bogs for fuel.

We find also words of Charles W. Upham, always eloquent and interesting. James Kimball was a frequent speaker and liked to tell his fellow-members of matters historical and of local interest, as did William P. Upham. Daniel Potter, for many years the veteran deputy sheriff, always witty and wise, the best presiding officer at a citizen's caucus that Salem ever knew, contributed his share to the general enjoyment.

On one occasion Messrs. Potter and Kimball gave some interesting remembrances, as the secretary called them, "of fire-extinguishing apparatus, together forming a history, beginning with a sort of pop-squirt hand-engine and coming down to the grand consummation of effusion from the hydrant, and incidentally teaching us, that it was a deduction as certain as any in philosophy, that

improvements must run the gauntlet and get the bastinado of opposition."

Mr. Potter wisely concluded, "That it was better to be ready without danger, than to have danger without readiness."

Dr. George B. Loring was one who took great pleasure in the annual feasts of the Naumkeag Fire Club. A fluent and ready speaker, always prepared to say something, he talked to the club on many subjects. He never failed to attend the meetings when he was in the city, and in his absence in Washington, or in Portugal, when he was the United States Minister to that country, he would invariably send a bright and interesting letter which was highly appreciated by his fellow members.

And then matters of public interest were discussed at these meetings. The state of the country, the doings of Congress, the important theme of the national finances, were fully commented upon.

But the club was naturally more inclined to discuss matters of a local interest, particularly those connected with the Fire Department. A favorite topic at one time was the great need of an electric fire alarm. This was thoroughly discussed long before the city authorities took definite action upon the matter.

At another time the reorganization of the fire department was brought up and ably advocated by one of our former chief engineers. "We should," he said, "keep our department up to date."

The subject of a chemical fire-engine was a theme for discussion at one meeting, and the purchase of one was favored by some of the members.

There was one very pleasant custom connected with the annual supper. The secretary would ascertain the names of members who were unable to attend by reason of sickness, and to each of these members a supper would be sent, by way of giving them to understand that though absent they were still remembered by their brethren of the Fire Club.

One very pleasant event in the history of the Naumkeag Fire Club was the reception given to Dr. George B. Loring in May, 1889, on the occasion of his leaving Salem to assume the duties of United States Minister to

Portugal. Some eighty-five members and friends of the club assembled to do honor to their distinguished member, and the affair was very enjoyable. A notable feature was the presence of three of the original members of the club, Messrs. Caleb Foote, Henry Hale and James Chamberlain. Interesting remarks were made by Messrs. Foote and Hale, by Dr. Loring, Gen. William Cogswell, Editor N. A. Horton, Prof. D. B. Hagar and others. The event was a "red letter day" in the club's history.

The advent of the suction hose for hand engines, rendered useless for practical work the leathern buckets of our Fire Clubs, and relegated them to the attic, or to ornamental positions in some of our front halls.

The improvement in fire-apparatus—the electric fire alarm when the signal "all out" follows, in many cases, so closely upon the alarm itself that it often confuses us in the count—the doing away with the volunteer system in our fire-department—have rendered unnecessary the active work of the Fire Clubs. New social organizations have taken their place at the festive board, and they are now little more than memories of the past. As we contemplate these organizations of by-gone days and the men who formed them, and were prominent in their work, we like to dwell for an hour upon the old associations and, as our Fire Club rhymester says,

"Think, then, of the days now past,
When flame and fire
To danger called,
And they stood fast.
No man appalled.
But seeing duty higher
Than any danger,
Did not inquire
If friend or stranger
Stood in need;
But helped to save
By daring deed
From ruthless flame,
The wooden frame,
To some one dear."

THE OLD NORTH FERRY AND DIXY'S HORSE-BOAT.

An entry dated "26th of xth mo: 1636," in the "Order by the Towne," reads: "It is agreed, That John Stones shall keepe a fferry (to beginn this Day) betwixt his house on the neck vpon the North point, and Cape Ann Syde. & shall giue dilligent attendance therevpon, dureing the space of three years, vnless he shall giue iust occation to the Contrary, and in Consideracon therof he is to haue Twoe pence from a stranger, and one peny from an inhabitant; moreover the sd. Jn^s. Stones doth promise to pvide a Convenient boat for the sd. purpose betwixt this & the first month next coming after the date hearof."

At the end of three years, December, 1639, "The fferrie at the North point w^{ch} formerly was John Stones is now graunted to William Dixy for three yeares & hee is to keepe an horse boat. Hee is to haue for strangers passage 2^d a peece, for Townsemen or Towne dwellers 1^d a peece, ffor Meres, Horses, & great rother beasts, six pence a peece, ffor goates, calves & swine 2^d a peece."

This horse-boat has been accepted, without much examination, as being a boat fitted for transporting horses. It has been assumed that the ferryboats previously in use were unequal to this function and hence the name. But horses were not more numerous, nor were they more bulky and difficult to handle than neat cattle,—the "great rother beasts" of the town order,—and occasion for transporting the latter must have been frequent. Vehicles at first were few and no doubt went around by land through Salem Village. That there were horses to be transported appears from the freight-tariff established in 1639. But if it were a fact that horses could not be transported in the boats in use before that date, no more could the neat cattle, described as "great rother beasts." Both kinds of animals were well able to ford or swim the ferry, and both have been so transferred from time immemorial between the main land and the islands, and calling the new-fangled ferryboat a horse-boat would seem to be a not very natural or descriptive designation.

There is reason to think that Dixy, who kept the Tavern just beyond the ferry-landing on the North Side, had a wharf and stable at the landing. He was a conspicuous citizen, a man of rare enterprise and of ideas quite in advance of his times, for he had a farm at Jeffrey's Creek from which he provided the table of his hostelry with kitchen-gardening, dairy-products, meats and poultry. Horses left standing at livery in the Beverly stable by travellers from the East, on visiting Salem, would save their ferry-toll, and other possible expense as well, because stable-provender, like table-supplies, came largely from beyond Bass River, and involved additional cost in passing that arm of the sea when it was consumed in Salem.

Almost as soon as the Planters from further down the Cape had removed to Nammkeag with their cattle and other belongings, and had begun to settle and build where Salem now stands, they also began taking up lands in what is now Beverly, to supply themselves with thatch, hay and other crops, and upon the arrival of Endecott in September, 1628, began a settlement on the Beverly side, which was located not far from the junction of the Gloucester Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad, and about the head-waters of Bass River. Means of communication, at least for persons, between Salem and the North Shore was one of the first requirements. Little time elapsed before the establishment of a ferry of some sort under town authority.

The provision made under the Orders of the Town above cited seems to have served until April 30, 1653, when "Its ordered that Richard Stackhouse for the reliefe of his flamillie shall haue the benifit of the keeping of the ferrie towards Ipswich he providing a sufficient boate and men to attend it and to enter on it the last of June."

Stackhouse had it for a generation. In 1686 John Massey, who lived at the Salem landing just west of the present bridge-terminus, took the ferry from Stackhouse. In 1690 Massey still conducted the ferry on the South Side, and Roger Haskens on the North Side, where he resided. During the next century the ferry was farmed out for terms varying from one to twenty years, at different rentals, the income, like that of the Miseries

and other islands, devoted by Salem to the support of her grammar-school, and in 1695-8 the approaches to it were made more commodious at the cost of the Town,—again in 1712 and in 1741 and 1754. For long terms the tolls were continued, from time to time, in the same families. Under State legislation the Town appointed ferrymen, but the State did not withhold a paternal oversight. At one time the landings must be provided with floats: again, in 1646, a majority of those already in the boat could say whether the last comer should or should not be admitted: in 1648, to prevent jumping of toll, fares could be collected in advance, and the ferrymen might refuse wompampeag when "not strunged or unmerchantable;" in 1657 no passenger might refuse a penny or 2^d "in good peag" to make change. In 1718, this was one of four great ferries which must provide, "a pair of planked trucks" for lading "Coaches, Calaches, Horses and Cattle." In 1742 the rates between Salem and Beverly were 3d. for a person, 9d. for a horse, 3 shillings and 3d. for a chair or chaise. Carriages and charits were mentioned.

In 1748, the Selectmen of Salem raised the fares to 8d. a person; 10d. a horse; 3d. a chaise or two-wheeled carriage; and 6d. a four-wheeled chaise or chair. That year complaints were made to the Legislature that the ferry was not well conducted; that the ferrymen neglected their duties when called on to lighten vessels arriving in the River, thus occasioning, for their own profit, vexatious delay to travellers; and that their carelessness had resulted in carriages and goods falling into the water. In 1749, Robert Hale of Beverly leased the ferry for seven years at an annual rental of three pounds sterling, and agreed to put the ways leading to it in good repair and leave them so. In 1756 the fares were 1d. a person: "2 English half-pence for a horse; 4 English half-pence for a man and horse; 5 pence for a chair; 7 pence for a two-wheeled chaise; 9 pence for a four-wheeled chaise." So, at least as early as 1718, provision had been made for transporting vehicles, and, since 1639, for great beasts. This last named year, Wood in his New England's Prospect finds "Cannowes" or pine-tree dug-outs in use to get farm-products across the ferry. But in 1662 a grandson of Roger Conant was drowned, in crossing, and that year

and repeatedly thereafter the General Court forbade to ferrymen the use of canoes as dangerous. The days of the old North Ferry were numbered when, in the autumn of 1782, the Marquis de Chastellux passed it with a numerous staff, on their way from Newbury to Boston, crossing in "flat-bottomed boats containing each six horses." That such loads as these were slowly moved by sweeps seems highly improbable, and would have required an embarrassing number of oarsmen.

The phrase "Horse-Boat" might naturally mean a boat moved by horse-power, as a steamboat is moved by steam, and a sailboat by sails. A horse-cart is not a cart designed for transporting horses, nor is a horse-litter designed for the comfort of an injured horse. Horse-power is applied to the moving of flat-boats in many ways: A capstan is planted on the wharf or river-bank at one or both landings, with a horse attached to the capstan-bar: in this case a chain or hawser, winding on the capstan or on some larger drum and attached to the boat, hauls it at will in one direction or the other. Again, horse-power may be applied from one or more treadmills or moving-floors revolving like an endless apron, within the boat, producing rotary power which either turns paddle-wheels,—for paddle-wheels are nothing new,—or winds on a windlass the cable made fast to anchors on either shore. There are other simple applications of horse-power, common enough still in the rougher parts of the country, some of which, it is not unlikely, may have been employed at Bass River in the years before 1788, when Essex Bridge at last supplanted the Beverly Ferry.

In all the legislation for regulating ferries from the beginning of the Colony, and there has been much of it, covering many topics,—most of the Acts providing for the carriage of merchandise, horses and vehicles, and great beasts, as well as men,—the term "horse-boat" seems to have been used but once. On the great Eastern thoroughfare laid out as a State Highway in 1639, besides the important ferry at Salem, there was another crossing the Merrimac between Newbury and Salisbury. In September, 1644, this last was required to be provided with a "sufficient horse boate."

Was not Dixy's horse-boat a boat moved by horse-power?

THOMAS GARDNER, PLANTER, AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

BY FRANK A. GARDNER, M.D.

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The total value of his property was £20,565 : 08 : 09.*

Aug. 7, 1770, this had increased to £21,926 : 6 : 1-2. In the account rendered by the executors under that date, we find that the sum of 3,569 : 14 : 6 1-4 had been paid to each of the three sons; George, Weld and Henry, and the sum of 3,600 " placed & kept at Interest, untill the Annuities therein directed to be paid shall cease."†

After the death of John Gardner, and Francis Cabot, Thomas Barnard, D.D., of Salem, was appointed administrator, Sept. 5, 1803.‡

May 29, 1769, the real estate was divided as follows:

George was given the homestead, and one-third of each of the pew holdings, as mentioned in the inventory. Weld received as his share, the twenty-one acre lot in Danvers, a third of all of the pew holdings, and £209 : 17 : 9 1-3 paid him by his brother George. Henry had the two and one quarter acre lot in Danvers, the remaining third of the pews, and £405 : 17 : 9 1-3 paid him by George. Weld and Henry also received one share each in the common lands of Salem.§

Children :

154. ESTHER, bap. Jan. 13, 1739-40;|| d. May, 1796; m. 1st, July 1758, Francis Higginson, s. of John and Esther (Cabot) Higginson;¶ m. 2nd, Oct. 6, 1761, Daniel Mackay, s. of William and Margaret (Epes) Mackay. Children: Samuel G., b. abt. 1769; d. in Canso Gut, June 3, 1805-6, aged 36.**

* Essex Probate Records, book 343, leaves 456-468.

† Essex Probate Records, book 346, leaf 299.

‡ Essex Probate Records, book 371, leaf 51.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaves 11-13.

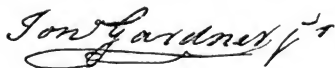
|| First Church Records.

¶ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. v. pp. 40 and 254.

** Salem Gazette, July 19, 1805.

- m., 1795, Elizabeth Smith.* Lois, bap. Sept. 6, 1767; d. before 1796.† Esther, d. before 1796;† m. John Page. Elizabeth, bap. Aug. 11, 1751; m. Edward West. Nancy, unm. in Dec., 1802. Margaret, b. abt. 1767; d. March, 1817; m. Frederick Frye. They lived at one time at Catskill, Green Co., N. Y.
153. LOIS, bap. Nov. 15, 1741;‡ d. July 9, 1819; m. May 13, 1773. Rev. Thomas Barnard, D.D., s. of Rev. Thomas Barnard. Children: 1. Thomas, bap. Apr. 24, 1774; d. unm., March 30, 1800. 2. Sarah, bap. Aug. 15, 1775; d. Sept. 25, 1809, aged 34; m. Robert Emery, of Springfield. Thomas Barnard graduated from Harvard College in 1766. He was the first pastor of the North Church in Salem, ordained in 1773; and was the patriot who led his congregation to the North bridge upon the approach of Col. Leslie on the afternoon of Sunday, Feb. 26, 1775.§
156. GEORGE, b. July 20, 1743 (bap. July 24, 1743);* d. Jan., 1774, unm. A merchant in Salem. Graduated at Harvard College in 1762.
157. WELD, b. Dec. 3 (bap. Dec. 8), 1745;‡ d. Nov. 2, 1801, unm.¶ A merchant in Salem.
158. HENRY, b. Oct. 17 (bap. Oct. 18), 1747;‡ d. Nov. 8, 1817; m. Oct. 19, 1769, Sarah Turner, dau. of John Turner, Esq.
159. ELIZABETH, bap. June 3, 1750;‡ m. Ebenezer Stevens.¶
160. SAMUEL, bap. Sept. 12, 1756;‡ d. young.

105 Capt. Jonathan Gardner, familiarly called "Commodore" was one of those enterprising and successful merchants of the eighteenth century. He was not only a



prosperous business man, but he took a deep interest in the public schools, and in the relief of the poor and unfortunate.

In the French and Indian war he was a zealous fighter for his king, and commanded a privateer. When the

* Salem Gazette, Feb. 3, 1795.

† Essex Probate Records, book 364, leaf 431.

‡ First Church Records.

§ The Essex Antiquarian, v. vi, p. 131.

¶ Notes of B. F. Browne.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 172, leaf 35.

War of the Revolution broke out he became a leader in the movement for freedom, and was one of the first company commanders to be commissioned from Salem.

SELECTMAN.

The first public office to which he was chosen was that of selectman, in 1766, which honor he declined. He accepted this office however, two years later. At the town meeting held Apr. 10, 1778, he acted as moderator.*

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

In 1768 he was elected an "Overseer of y^e Poor," after his father had declined to serve longer. He held this office continuously from that time until 1778, when he declined a re-election. The town voted to excuse him from further service, and passed a resolution, "that the thanks of the town be given him for his past services."*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

He was a member of the school committee four years, from 1785 to 1788 inclusive. He served again in 1790.

In 1787 he was elected Town Treasurer, but declined to serve. He frequently served upon committees for the town, particularly upon those in regard to land questions and means for preventing fires.*

JURY SERVICE.

He was a member of the Petit Jury in 1765, 1771 and 1784, and of the Grand Jury in 1766 and 1784.*

REPRESENTATIVE.

In 1776 (May 18), he was elected representative to serve "the town at the General Court to be held at Watertown the 29th. instant," and on June 4th. of the same year, he was again elected to that office.*

MASONIC.

He was admitted to Essex Lodge, F. A. M., Apr. 7, 1779, being number 27 on the list of members.†

* Town Records.

† Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. III, p. 121.

SALEM MARINE SOCIETY.

The part which he played in the formation of this honorable society, is shown in the following document preserved in the State Archives: "The Petition of Jonathan Gardner Jun^r and others whose Names are hereto subscribed, & who are or have been Masters of Vessels, humbly sheweth That they . . . have for a few years past united in a voluntary Society" for the relief of members, etc., petition to be made "a Corporate Society."^{*}

This was dated April 12, 1771. Jonathan Gardner Jun's name heads the list of petitioners.

The Essex Gazette of Apr. 21-28, 1772, mentions the passage at the late session of the General Court, of "An act for Incorporating Jonathan Gardner Jun. and others therein named into a Society by the name of the Marine Society at Salem, in the County of Essex," etc.

FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR.

He was commissioned Sept. 6, 1757, by Thomas Pownall, Esq., "Capt. General, and Gov in Chiefe" . . . in the Province of Massachusetts Bay, "& Vice Admiral of the Same," as Captain of the privateer Two Brothers. The original document, a copy of which is at present in the hands of the author, states that "for as much as Capt Jon^s Gardner, Jun. hath equip'd furnish'd & Victuald a sch Call'd the Two Brothers of the Burthen of 65 tons, . . . that I do . . . Commission . . . the s^d Jon^s Gardner to sett forth in War like manner . . . to app^d Seize & Take the Ships Vessells & Goods belonging to the French King" etc.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

Civil.

His interest in the welfare of the Colony, and the maintaining of its rights, was manifested very early, for in May, 1774, he was made a member of the "Committee of Correspondence." Mar. 13, 1775, he was appointed on the "Committee on Minute Men." Oct. 6 of the same

^{*} Massachusetts State Archives, v. 66, pp. 491-493.

year he was named as a member of the "Committee of Safety," but was excused. On the 23d of the same month, he was appointed on a committee to procure materials to stop up passages into the harbor.* This was after the authorities learned of the burning of Falmouth.

He was chosen on the "Committee of Correspondence, Inspection and Safety," at the Annual Town Meetings in 1776, 1777 and 1778. May 14, 1776, he was appointed "to serve at the Court of Capture," to be held at Salem.† He was one of a committee appointed by the Massachusetts authorities to go to Portsmouth in 1776,‡ and on Jan. 18, 1777, he rendered an account to the same authorities for the expenses of said trip.§ May 13, 1778, he was appointed on a committee to procure voluntary enlistments, and on Sept. 21, 1778, was a member of the "Committee on Forts."•

Military.

He was commissioned Captain of the First Company of the first Essex Regiment, June 6, 1776.§ We find his name in the list of the members of the volunteer company from Salem, for the Rhode Island service in August, 1778.||

REAL ESTATE.

Jonathan Gardner, Jun., bought of his father, Jonathan, Feb. 28, 1760, for 600, "all that mansion House & Land in said Salem wherein the same Jonathan now dwells."¶ This lot was the identical one on which the Essex Institute building now stands. It has been described in detail in an earlier article in this series. Jonathan Gardner lived here until his death in 1791.

He bought an acre of land of John Peters of Salem, which John's wife Elizabeth had inherited from her father, Henry Skerry. This was on the northerly side of Ferry

* Town Records.

† Massachusetts Archives, v. 210, p. 133.

‡ Massachusetts Archives, v. 173, p. 83.

§ Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, v. vi, p. 272.

|| Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. 1, p. 113.

• Essex Registry of Deeds, book 107, leaf 132.

Lane (Bridge Street) extending through to the North River (June 25, 1784).*

Dec. 1, 1785, he bought of John Gardner, of Wenham, $\frac{3}{4}$ of the grist mill, and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a granary at Forest River, "formerly the estate of Capt. John Gardner, deceased."† Seven days later, John Gardner bought it back again.‡

He sold shares in Long Wharf, Aug. 14, 1780,§ and a lot of land on the North side of the Common, with a warehouse, and a part of a barn, to John Gardner, Oct. 21, 1789.||

He and his wife sold several pieces of property which she had inherited.¶ He held many mortgages on town lots, and served as commissioner in the settlement of several estates.**

He married Jan. 2, 1753†† (published Dec. 16, 1752‡‡), Sarah Putnam, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Putnam) Putnam.§§ Elizabeth Putnam, after the death of her husband William, married Capt. John Gardner (No. 90). Sarah Putnam was baptized Dec. 22, 1728. Sarah inherited property from her father's estate. Her death occurred Nov. 10, 1791. She was buried beside her husband, in the "Gardner Annex" to the Charter Street Burying Ground.

Jonathan Gardner died March 2, 1791, aged 63 years. His gravestone is still standing, as above mentioned, and the writer is pleased to state, that he has been of some service to the memory of this noble patriot, by having a marker of the Sons of the American Revolution, placed by his grave.

The Salem Gazette of March 8, 1791, in a notice of his death, refers to him as "a man whose actions were governed by the most virtuous principles, and whom the esteem of his fellow citizens follows to the grave."

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 148, leaf 194.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 144, leaf 288.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 144, leaf 83.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 139, leaf 7.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 148, leaf 253.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 101, leaf 266; book 106, leaves 95 and 158; book 153, leaf 1.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 133; book 137, leaf 203; book 145, leaf 307; and book 149, leaf 231.

†† Town Records.

‡‡ Salem Publications.

§§ History of the Putnam Family, p. 85.

Rev. William Bentley, A.M., preached a memorial sermon, March 13, 1791, and referred to the deceased as follows:

"We cannot forget the late worthy Captain Gardner. His character is the most interesting to us, tho we were not honored by his presence with us in our public worship. His residence in our neighborhood, his exemplary virtues, and his usefulness in the town—particularly his station, as a MASTER of one of the most interesting institutions for MARINERS—call upon such an assembly as this, in which the greater number are employed in navigation, to see a refutation of all the charges which can be brought against the man of business and the sea. His integrity was unimpeached; his aversion from profanity, serious; his private virtues, conspicuous; his zeal for his brethren of the sea, unabated, amidst all the neglects which in this town have remarkably attended their common interests. Indeed, he was an example, in his whole character, worthy of the imitation of our mariners, not only in regard to civil and social, but religious, institutions. And to suffer such a man to drop into the grave forgotten, would betray a criminal inattention to the means of virtue . . . His virtues were not ostentatious. He provoked no man's envy, but fought every man's happiness. He pursued no man's praise but ensured every man's affection. The confidence of mankind he valued, so as to endeavor to deserve it; and he has now left the world—and memory and the virtues, are his mourners."

At a meeting of the Marine Society, in Salem, held March 31, 1791, the following vote was passed:

"That Captain Jonathan Mason, senior, and General Fisk, be a Committee to wait upon the Rev. Mr. Bentley, with the thanks of the Society for his Sermon on the death of Jonathan Gardner, Esquire and to request a copy for the press.

JONATHAN MASON, Clerk."*

He left no will. Letters of administration were granted to his son Jonathan, July 14, 1791.†

Child:

161. JONATHAN, b. 1735 (bap. Mar. 16, of that year); ‡ d. Sept. 26, 1821; m. 1st, Nov. 26, 1791. § Sarah Fairfield, dau. of Dr. Fairfield of Wenham; m. 2nd, Oct. 27, 1799. § Lucia Pickering Dodge, dau. of Israel and Lucia (Pickering) Dodge.

* Pamphlet copy in the Essex Institute Library.

Essex Probate Records, book 361, leaf 361.

† First Church Records.

‡ Town Records.

110 Capt. JOHN GARDNER, called often John Gardner 3d, was a prosperous and energetic merchant. One writer refers to him as "a man of most exemplary character, mild, genial, humane and most universally esteemed and respected."

John Gardner

His name first appeared in the town records under date of March 18, 1766, when he was appointed on a joint committee to run the line between Salem and Danvers.*

SELECTMAN.

He served the town as a selectman from 1772 to 1778 inclusive, and was chosen again in 1780, but declined.*

MODERATOR.

At the town meeting held Feb. 22, 1777, he acted as moderator. He was a member of many committees for the town, including one in 1770 to construct a work-house, and one in 1774 "on watch in Ward No. 2." His name appears in 1777 as an "overseer of the Hospital for inoculating for the Small Pox."*

JURY.

He was chosen to serve on the Petit Jury in 1769 and 1777.*

MILITARY.

John Gardner 3d, is mentioned as Captain of the First Salem Company, in 1761.†

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

March 13, 1775, he was chosen to serve on the "Committee of Correspondence Inspection and Safety."* He was also a member of this committee in the following

* Town Records.

† Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. xxix, p. 179.

year. Mar. 1, 1779, the town "Agreed to draw upon the Treasurer in fav^r of Capt. John Gardner 3d. for 170 : 8— for cash sd Gardner lent the Selectmen to pay two men who served as Soldiers under Capt. Simeon Browne."*

CHURCH.

He was at one time a deacon of the First Church in Salem, but in his old age mostly attended the Universalist Church.† He purchased of John Small, Sept. 7, 1786, one half of a floor pew in Mr. Holt's meeting house in Danvers,‡ and sold a pew in this (South) meeting house, May 23, 1815.§ He bought a pew on the floor of the "first Universal Meeting house in Salem," Feb. 7, 1810.¶

REAL ESTATE.

John Gardner inherited from his father Jonathan, his mansion house and land, at Gardner's Corner, as it was called (the N. W. corner of Essex Street and Washington Square West).¶ He sold the western end of this lot to his son John (6th gen.) Dec. 21, 1809,** who erected a mansion upon it which he sold to Nathaniel West, April 25, 1811, for \$13,333.33.†† The later history of this portion of the lot may be found in an earlier article of this series.

The eastern portion of this lot fronting on Newbury Street (now Washington Square West) and extending from Essex Street to Brown Street, he retained until the misfortunes of the war of 1812 overtook him, and the property was taken by his creditors, namely, the Salem Bank, Jonathan Hodges, Ebenezer Bickford and William B. Dodge. An account of the later owners of this property has already been given in this series of articles.‡‡

John Gardner's most important land holdings were the various lots making up the Gardner farm, on the road

* Town Records.

† B. F. Browne's manuscript notes.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 146, leaf 241.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 207, leaf 31.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 189, leaf 134.

** Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXVIII, p. 378-9, deprint, p. 88.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 190, leaf 281.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 193, leaf 77.

§§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXVII, p. 380; deprint, p. 84.

between Salem and Danversport. His first purchase of land in this locality was Oct. 29, 1776, when he bought two lots of Simon Kezar of Danvers; one containing over 40 acres, and the other 46 poles with dwelling house and barn.* During the next thirty years he bought many lots adjoining this property, the larger part of the land acquired having been owned previously by Billings Bradish.† Just before the outbreak of the war of 1812, he transferred a part of this farm, containing at that time about 60 or 65 acres, to his sister Elizabeth for \$3500.‡ John's son John purchased this of his aunt Elizabeth, Oct. 9, 1817, for \$3,306.66.§ Several other lots of land, connected with this farm, were obtained by execution from John Gardner by Ebenezer Beckford, in 1813.|| These lots were bought back by John, Jun., of Nathan Robinson (wife Eunice, daughter of Ebenezer Beckford), Mar. 31, 1819.¶ This farm is at present owned by Mrs. Gardner, widow of Henry Gardner, who was the son of John, Jun., above mentioned. Mr. Nathan Bushby stated, that the first milk route in this vicinity was started by the owner of this farm.

In 1805, John Gardner owned about one and one-sixth acres of land on the eastern side of Winter Street, extending through to Pleasant Street. This lot was bounded on the south by land of his nephew Jonathan Gardner (6th gen). This was divided into lots, and sold in 1805-6 to James Brace, Thomas Lamson, William Goodhue, Isaac Glines, Samuel Robberts, Jonathan C. Kimball and David Robbins.**

He bought, of Eliphalet Butman, the estate on the western corner of Union and Neptune (now Derby) Streets, Dec. 24, 1806.†† This property Benjamin W. Crowninshield obtained by execution, Aug. 21, 1813.‡‡

His father, Jonathan, left to him one-eighth part of the

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 134, leaf 275.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 79; book 138, leaf 239; book 137, leaf 133; book 142, leaves 33 and 34; book 144, leaves 4, 38, 55, etc.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 198, leaf 63.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 215, leaf 210.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 2, leaf 29.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 218, 271.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 176, leaf 279; book 177, leaf 99; book 178, leaves 20 and 40; book 179, leaf 173; book 180, leaves 25 and 76.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 179, leaf 243.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 201, leaf 81.

South mills in Salem, and he purchased a like portion of Walter Lynde and others, April 16, 1801.* He sold one-eighth to Nathaniel West, May 31, 1811,† and when the financial crash came, Jonathan Gardner (6th gen.) obtained judgment against him, and was awarded one-eighth part of the same mill.‡

In 1810, John Gardner bought of John Perley, a dwelling house, barn, shop, etc., on the western side of North Street, next south of the Gavett estate.§ The Merchants Bank obtained judgment against him July 16, 1813, and was awarded this property.|| but he bought it back again, July 9, 1814,¶ and sold it on the same day to John H. Andrews.**

In 1785, John Gardner obtained judgment against the estate of the late Frederick Coombs, of Salem, baker, and received certain parts of his former dwelling-house and bake house, on the southern side of Bridge Street, just west of Pleasant Street.†† He sold this to Joseph Gardner (6th gen.) (No. 187) wife Betsey, Aug. 20, 1792.‡‡ Joseph Gardner, the purchaser, bought other parts of the house and land of William Obear, Sept. 13, 1797,§§ and small portions from other abntters. Joseph sold this property to John Melville of Marblehead, Mar. 27, 1801.¶¶ John Gardner the subject of this article, held a mortgage upon it, from Oct. 16, 1797, until Mar. 27, 1801.¶¶¶

One piece of property which he inherited from his father, and which we have not already mentioned, was the four acre lot on "Ferry Lane" (Bridge Street), which his father Jonathan purchased of Susanna Higginson, Sept. 6, 1765.*** This, John sold Dec. 3, 1811, to Lydia Barton, for \$2,050.†††

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 175, leaf 298.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 159, leaf 75.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 2, leaf 23.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 188, leaf 250.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 2, leaf 21.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 204, leaf 197.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 204, leaf 198.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 145, leaf 275.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 158, leaf 196.

§§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 162, leaf 236.

¶¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 169, leaf 13.

¶¶¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 164, leaf 64.

*** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 117, leaf 20.

††† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 198, leaf 66.

John also inherited from his father, Jonathan, his interest in Long Wharf. He held this until one-half of the war of 1812, when the store was taken by his nephew Jonathan (6th gen.) (No. 161) who obtained a proprietor's share from him, upon an execution.*

Other lots owned by him were on the northern side of the common,† at the Neck,‡ and on the present site of the Franklin building.§ He was an executor of the wills of Jonathan Gardner, his father, Jonathan Derby, Richard Derby and Jonathan Andrew.¶ In the settlement of these estates he sold large tracts of farm land, and many valuable town lots. He loaned large amounts on mortgages, and owned several rights in the common lands of Salem.

John Gardner married, April 13, 1769, Sarah, daughter of Richard and Sarah (Hodges) Derby. She died September 2, 1774. The Essex Gazette of September 6th of that year refers to her as follows:

"On Friday died, aged 27 years, Mrs. Sarah Gardner, wife of Capt. John Gardner, and youngest Daughter of Capt. Richard Derby, of this Town. In common Life she was of a humane benevolent Disposition and possessed to grateful a Turn of Mind so free from Envy, Pride, or Detraction, as at once to secure the Esteem and Love of all of her Acquaintance; and by her prudent and amiable Deportment, approved herself a Pattern worthy of Imitation."

Her father, Richard Derby, left to his three grandchildren, John, Sarah and Richard Gardner, £1000 apiece.

John Gardner died Jan. 3, 1816, aged 80. The Salem Gazette of the 5th of that month, alluded to him as follows:

"Mr. John Gardner died at Danvers, aged 80, preserving to this protracted age that simplicity and honesty of character and kindness of heart, which had long since secured to him the love and respect of all who knew him. His funeral will be at 3 o'clock this afternoon, from the house of Gen. Derby in Barton Square."

* Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 2, leaf 23.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 148, leaves 248 and 253.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 134, leaf 275.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 137, leaf 179.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 146, leaf 248; book 156, leaf 250; and book 172, leaf 108.

Children :

162. JOHN, b. Aug. 12, 1771; d. Aug. 25, 1847; m. Nov. 9, 1798,*
Sarah West, dau. of William West.
163. SARAH, b. 1773; d. May 18, 1807; m. June 5, 1796,* Hon.
Jacob Crowninshield, Member of Congress. Children: 1.
Sarah G., b. 1800; d. July 12, 1835; m. May 14, 1822.
Richard S. Rogers, s. of Nathaniel and Abigail (Dodge)
Rogers † 2. Mary, b. 1805; d. Mar. 13, 1838; m. Jan. 21,
1826, William P. Endicott, s. of Samuel and Elizabeth
(Putnam) Endicott.;
164. RICHARD, bap. Aug. 28, 1774; d. in Utica, N. Y., Mar. 10, 1836;
m. 1st. July 29, 1797,* Elizabeth Ward, dau. of Miles and
Hannah (Chipman) Ward; § m., 2nd. Eliza Pierce, dau. of
Daniel Pierce, of Gallipolis, Ohio.

121 Lieut. Thomas Gardner, of Danvers, was called husbandman or yeoman. The first office held by him in Danvers was that of fence-viewer, to which he was chosen March 9, 1772. On the same date he was made a member of a committee "to take Care that the Laws be Duly Observed Respecting the Fish." He was chosen constable in 1774 and selectman in 1780. In 1781 and year following he was a surveyor of highways. He served on the school committee in 1785 and 6. ||

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

His military record, as published in the "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Revolution," is as follows: "1st Lieutenant, Capt. Jonathan Proctor's 8th (Danvers) co., Col. Henry Herrick's (8th Essex Co.) regt. of Mass. militia; list of officers dated Charlestown, March 29, 1776; ordered in Council April 2, 1776, that said officers be commissioned; reported commissioned April 2, 1776; also letter from Col. Larkin Thorndike to the Council, dated Beverly, May 27, 1779, stating that Capt. Jonathan Proctor of the 8th co., 8th Essex Co.

* Town Records.

* New England Historical and Genealogical Register, v. XIII, p. 67.

* New England Historical and Genealogical Register, v. I, p. 339-341.

§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. V, pp. 209 and 212.

|| Danvers Town Records.

regt. and his 1st Lieutenant, said Gardner, had applied for acceptance of the resignations of their commissions which had not been granted, and asking in their behalf that the resignations be accepted: ordered in Council June 8, 1779, that resignations be accepted."^{*}

REAL ESTATE.

He purchased from his brothers and sisters, between 1758 and 1763, their shares of the real estate of his father,[†] and in 1772 bought of Ebenezer Marsh, three acres adjoining his own land.[‡] Nov. 30, 1787, he sold to Daniel Taylor of Danvers eight acres of upland in Danvers for £38, 19 shillings, 5 pence[§] and, on May 4th of the same year, he sold to Benjamin Pickman,^{||} the two pieces of salt marsh in Salem, which had formerly belonged to his father.

He married, at Danvers, Nov. 13, 1755, Mary Buffington.[¶] She died July 20, 1819.

Thomas Gardner died in September, 1788.^{**} His will was dated Sept. 2nd, and probated Nov. 6th of that year.^{††} He left to his wife Mary, the use of $\frac{1}{3}$ of his real estate during her life. To each of his sons James and John, he left "1-2 of my real and personal estate" each paying "one-half of my just Debts" and one-half of the legacies made later. To Thomas he left £9 to be paid him a year after his father's decease. He left to his daughters Mary Pope and Hannah Proctor, ten shillings each. His daughters Betsey, "Salla" and Eunice, were each left £12, to be paid three, four and five years after his decease, in the order named. His widow was appointed executrix.^{‡‡}

^{*} Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, v. VI, p. 281.

[†] Essex Registry of Deeds, book 104, leaf 267; book 102, leaf 107; book 114, leaf 15; book 107, leaf 188.

[‡] Essex Registry of Deeds, book 133, leaf 271.

[§] Essex Registry of Deeds, book 147, leaf 216.

^{||} Essex Registry of Deeds, book 146, leaf 294.

[¶] Danvers Town Records.

^{**} Salem Mercury of Sept. 30, 1788.

^{††} Essex Probate Records, book 359, leaf 546.

The inventory dated March 29, 1789, contained the following :

"Land lying south of the highway with the Buildings thereon containing about 123 acres at 60- pr acre	384 :00 :00
To 5 acres of Pasture Land at 60- pr acre	15 :00 :00
To 1 pair of Steers three years old 150-	7 :00 :00
To 1 pair of Steers two years old 90-	4 :10 :00
To 1 pew in South Meeting house 48-	2 :08 :00"

The total amounted to 503 :19 :08.*

March 30, 1803, John Gardner acknowledged the receipt from his mother, for himself and brother James, of 133 :19 :10, being two-thirds of all the personal estate of said deceased.†

Children :

165. THOMAS, b. Dec. 21, 1735;‡ d. July 12, 1822;‡ m. Nov. 28, 1781;‡ Rebekah Pope, dau. of Eleazer and Nanny (Putnam) Pope.
166. MARY, b. Nov. 4, 1737;‡ m. Oct. 3, 1780;‡ Eleazer Pope, jun., son of Eleazer and Nanny (Putnam) Pope
167. JAMES, b. Oct. 26, 1759;‡ d. Oct. 11, 1809;‡ m. Mar. 4, 1789,§ Margaret Skerry.
168. JOHN, b. Jan. 1, 1762;‡ d. April 12, 1823;‡ m. Feb. 14, 1797,‡ Mehitable Goodale.
169. HANNAH, b. July 26, 1764;‡ d. Jan., 1818;‡ m., 1787 (cert. granted Oct. 27), Benjamin Procter, jun.; Children: 1. Benjamin G., b. Dec. 26, 1788; 2. Perley, b. Jan. 9, 1792.
170. BETSEY, b. Mar. 19, 1768;‡ d. about 1839;|| unmarried.
171. SALLY, b. Aug. 16, 1770;‡ d. Feb. 12, 1829;‡ unmarried.
172. EUNICE, b. Sept. 28, 1772;‡ d. Aug. 2, 1811;‡ m. Jan. 19, 1804;‡ Joseph Phelps of Tewksbury. Children: 1. Hannah, b. Nov. 18, 1804. 2. Mary Buffington, b. Dec. 16, 1806. 3. James Gardner, b. June 5, 1808; m. Dec. 5, 1832. Sophia Andrews.

123 Ebenezer Gardner was a potter by trade. After the death of his father, he was placed under the guardianship of his uncle, Jonathan Gardner, July 11.

* Essex Probate Records, book 360, leaf 217-8.

† Essex Probate Records, book 360, leaf 347.

‡ Danvers Town Records.

§ Salem Town Records.

|| Essex Probate Records, book 52, leaf 82v.

1754.* He resided in Roxbury for a time, and April 16, 1763, sold his "one-seventh part of all the Estate Real & personal," of his father to his brother Thomas Gardner, for £80.†

He received a grant of land at Auk-paque, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, from which the Acadians had been expelled. Mr. Charles L. Andrews, Esq., of Augusta, Me., the author of an excellent pamphlet upon the descendants of Ebenezer,‡ states that: "On the breaking out of the Revolutionary War, he remained loyal to the colonies and was a member of the committee of safety, who went to Boston to urge an energetic campaign to protect the faithful of the Provinces. For this reason shortly after his return he was obliged to flee the country and his wife and family followed, suffering fearful exposure and danger, to Machiasport in 1776. For his patriotic services, he received a grant of one thousand acres of land in 1785, near Bangor, but preferred to remain at Machias, where he built a house below 'the Falls.'"

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

In addition to the above services as a member of a committee of safety, while in Nova Scotia, we know that he rendered valuable aid to the cause of the colonies, after he reached Machias. He was a "Private, Capt. Stephen Smith's co., Col. Benjamin Foster's regt. ; service between Dec. 4, 1778, and Jan. 4, 1779, 2 days, at Machias; also, Lieut. John Scott's detachment, 6th Lincoln Co. regt. : service between Aug 31, 1779, and Nov. 20, 1779, 14 days, at Machias; roll endorsed "service at Penobscot."§

He married, in 1769,|| Damaris Merrill, daughter of Nathan and Susanna Merrill, of Haverhill. She was baptized Sept. 4, 1747, and died Feb. 5, 1837, aged ninety-two years.‡

* Essex Probate Records, book 332, leaf 307.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 114, leaf 15.

‡ The Gardiner Family of Machias and Vicinity," by Charles L. Andrews.

§ Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Revolution, v. vi, p.

264.

|| Bangor Historical Magazine, v. VIII, p. 77.

Ebenezer Gardner died Nov. 21, 1832, aged ninety-seven years.*

Children, born in Cumberland Co., N. S. :

173. SUSANNAH, b. Oct. 15, 1770; d. Apr. 9, 1843; m., 1st, Aaron Sevey, by whom she had two children who died young. She m. 2nd, July 17, 1796, Marshall Thaxter, son of Maj. Samuel and Abigail (Smith) Thaxter.* He was a tanner by trade. Children: 1. Gridley, b. Dec. 25, 1797; m. Jan. 27, 1823, Hannah Longfellow. 2. Lucy, b. July 22, 1799; m. Nov. 8, 1821, John Stuart, of Machias. 3. Sarah, b. Mar. 31, 1801; d. Oct. 17, 1821; m. Feb. 7, 1821, Daniel Savage. 4. Ezekiel, b. Dec. 6, 1802; d. Oct. 1, 1891; m. Dec. 13, 1832, Caroline L. Jones. 5. Abigail, b. Nov. 10, 1804; d. Mar. 17, 1871;† m. May, 1833, Rev. Gilman Bacheller, of Machiasport. 6. Mary, b. June 23, 1806; d. unm. 7. Susan, b. Feb. 18, 1808; m. Aug. 20, 1844, Dr. Niram Bates, of East Machias. 8. Eunice, b. Jan. 10, 1810; m. Nov. 25, 1835, at Methuen, Mass., James Pope, son of Frederick and Mary (Pierce) Pope. 9. Marshall, b. 1812; d. Mar. 22, 1882; m. July 6, 1846, Charlotte Kimball. 10. William, b. Oct. 20, 1816; m., 1st, Elizabeth Hall; m. 2nd, Nov. 8, 1854, Sarah Hill.
174. EUNICE, b. July 14, 1772; d. Mar. 6, 1836; unm.
175. HANNAH, b. May 3, 1774; d. Sept. 1, 1858; m. Mar. 30, 1797, Daniel Foster, of East Machias, Me., s. of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Scott) Foster. They had no children of their own, but they brought up Daniel F. and Hannah, children of Thomas Gardner (No. 178).
176. EBENEZER, b. Jan. 31, 1776; d. Feb. 5, 1859; m. June 21, 1803, Sally Albee, dau. of William and Ellen (Dillway) Albee.

Children, born in Machias, Me. :

177. SAMUEL, b. July 13, 1781; d. May 16, 1853; m., 1st, Abigail Barry, dau. of Jonathan and Hannah (Knight) Barry. Jonathan was son of Westbrook and Jane (Freeman) Barry, one of the first settlers from Scarboro, Me.; m., 2nd, Jane F. Getchell; m., 3d, Relief Wilson.
178. THOMAS, b. Oct. 10, 1783; d. Sept. 17, 1872; m. Dec. 1, 1808, Sarah Barry, dau. of Jonathan and Hannah (Knight) Barry.
179. JOHN, b. July 16, 1785; d. Dec. 8, 1846; m. 1st, Mar. 19, 1812, Susan Barry, dau. of Jonathan and Hannah (Knight) Barry; m. 2nd, Feb. 14, 1830, Mary Palmer, dau. of Daniel

* "The Gardner Family of Machias, Me.," by C. L. Andrews, Esq.

† Batchelder Genealogy, p. 180.

and Polly Palmer and g. dau. of William Albee; m. 3d, 1836.
Lavinia Foster, dau. of Daniel Hoyt.

180. WILLIAM, b. Oct. 21, 1789; d. Oct. 9, 1863; m. Oct. 9, 1817,
Lydia Albee, dau. of William and Ellen (Dillway) Albee.

181. NATHAN, b. Sept. 24, 1793; d. Mar. 14, 1795.*

125 Israel Gardner followed the trade of a potter. After the death of his father, he was placed on March 26, 1753, under the guardianship of Jasper Needham.†

He married Dec. 7, 1769, at Danvers, Elizabeth‡ (or Eliza C.)§ Southwick.

Israel Gardner died about 1771. In his will dated Jan. 17, of that year, he gave to his wife Elizabeth, all of his personal estate with the exception of his gun, and one-third of his real estate. To his brother Ebenezer, and sisters Eunice Tucker, Mary Marsh and Sarah Wolcott, he left £1, 6 shillings and 8 pence apiece. He gave to his brother Thomas, two-thirds of his real estate, and his gun, and appointed him executor. The will was probated May 6, 1771.

In the inventory dated Oct. 7, 1771, the only real estate mentioned was "1 seventh Part of his Father's real Estate valued at £73, 6 shillings and 8 pence." Israel's entire estate including personal, amounted to £102, 10 shillings and 6 pence.¶

No children.

126 Abel Gardner, the third in direct line to bear that name, was a fisherman. He was chosen on the "Petit jury for Trials," Dec. 7, 1767, and again in the July following, but was excused on the latter date on account of his recent service.**

Nov. 24, 1758, he mortgaged his house and land, which had previously belonged to his father, to his uncle Jonathan Gardner, for £86, 13 shillings and 4 pence.†† Jonathan obtained judgment against him Apr. 3, 1769, and the above mentioned property was seized as full

* "The Gardner Family of Machias and Vicinity."

† Essex Probate Records, book 331, leaf 457.

‡ Danvers Town Records, v. VII, p. 56.

§ Danvers Town Records, v. III, p. 65.

¶ Essex Probate Records, book 347, leaves 49 and 50.

** Essex Probate Records, book 347, leaf 291.

†† Town Records.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 103, leaf 184.

satisfaction for the debt.* Jonathan sold the property to James Cutler, March 18, 1773.†

Abel Gardner married May 25, 1760, Abigail Chapman.‡ After his death his widow married Joseph Symonds, Nov. 30, 1781.‡

Children:

182. JOSEPH, bap. May 1, 1774; § d. May, 1805; m. Nov. 4, 1784. Sarah Neal, dau. of Jonathan and Annis (White) Neal.‡
183. ABEL SYMONDS, bap. May 1, 1774; § d. about 1834; m. Oct. 6, 1785, Bethiah Pitman, dau. of Joseph.
184. PRISCILLA, b. about 1768, bap. May 1, 1774; § d. Jan., 1823; m. Sept. 11, 1791, Edmund Upton. Children: 1. Edmund, b. 179-; d. at Matanzas, July 8, 1-25; m. Apr. 24, 1822, Mary Southward;‡ who m. for her 2nd husband, June 24, 1832, Capt. William Summers. 2. William, d. Feb., 1803. 3. A daughter who m. a man named Plummer. 4. Priscilla, b. 179-; m. May 6, 1821, Stephen Stone.‡
185. POLLY (MARY), bap. May 1, 1774; § m. Dec. 9, 1792, Richard Tufts.‡¶

129 Simon Stacey Gardner was so named when he was baptized in the First Church in Salem, July 24, 1743, but he never used his middle name, and was always known as Simon Gardner.**

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

"Private, Capt. Nathan Brown's co., Col. John Mansfield's regt.: muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; enlisted May 25, 1775; service 9 weeks 5 days; *also* Capt. Brown's co., Col. Mansfield's (19th) regt. commanded by Lieut. Col. Israel Hutchinson; company return dated Oct. 6, 1775; *also*, order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money dated Camp Winter Hill, Oct. 27, 1775."†† He was No. 6, in the list of volunteers from Salem in Capt. Samuel Flagg's Company for the Rhode Island Expedition in August, 1778.‡‡

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 126, leaf 128.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 123, leaf 233.

‡ Town Records.

§ 18th Century Baptisms in Salem, E. I. Hist. Coll., v. XXIII, p. 13.

¶ Neal Records, pp. 20-2.

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 160, leaf 269.

** First Church Records.

†† Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, v. vi, p. 278.

‡‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. v, p. 130.

Simon Gardner married Nov. 18, 1764,* Rebecca Knapp, daughter of Nathaniel and Sarah (Hart) Knapp.† She was born July 18, 1746, and died in Salem, a widow, in Feb., 1787, aged "forty-four years."‡

Children :

186. SIMON, d. 1801; m. Oct. 7, 1787,* Mary (or Polly) Collins, dau. of John Collins.
187. JOSEPH, b. 1767; d. Nov. 10, 1830, aged 63; m. Dec. 10, 1789,* Elizabeth Bell.
188. JONATHAN, bap. July 29, 1773;§ d. 1839; m. Oct. 9, 1796,* Rachel Brown, dau. of John and Rachel (Klimball) Brown.
189. SAMUEL KNAPP, bap. Jan. 7, 1781;§ d. Aug. 15, 1850; m. 1st, Sept. 2, 1798, Mary (or Polly) Marsh;* m. 2nd, July 9, 1826, Betsey Marsh.*

130 Joseph Gardner, the youngest son of Abel and Priscilla (Stacey) Gardner, was a cooper and mariner by occupation. He purchased of Daniel Ropes, Dec. 8, 1769, a lot of land on the southern side of "a Way leading from the training Field to St. Peter's Church"|| (now Brown Street) and sold the same to Jeremiah Shepard, Nov. 15, 1774.¶ Ten days later, he bought of John Bickford, for £78, 13 shillings, 4 pence, the southern half of a house on the western side of Bickford's lane.** Joseph and his wife Sarah, mortgaged this property to Joseph Symonds, Feb. 13, 1775.†† The mortgage was discharged July 2, 1785. Sarah Gardner, widow of Joseph, sold this half of a house and the land to Michael Sunnethrust, November 20, 1778.‡‡

Joseph Gardner married July 31, 1769, Sarah Brown.* After his death she married Nov. 30, 1780, Dr. Jacob Bacon.* She died May 2, 1785, "in the 41st year of her age."§§ No issue known.

133 Joseph Gardner, the oldest son of Joseph

* Town Records.

† Notes furnished by the late Mr. Arthur Mason Knapp, of the Boston Public Library.

‡ Salem Mercury, February 17, 1787.

§ 18th Century Baptisms, E. I. Hist. Coll. v. XXIII, p. 13.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 122, leaf 16.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 123, leaf 211.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 134, leaf 76.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 136, leaf 146.

§§ Salem Gazette, Thursday, May 3, 1785.

and Mehitable (Pope) Gardner, married Dec. 17, 1772, Anna Edee, of Salem.*

No further record of him has been found, and our knowledge of his children is obtained largely from deeds, in which they, with the other grandchildren, sell property which was inherited by them from their grandfather, Joseph Gardner. This real estate consisted of the lot on the southeastern corner of Mill and High Streets, with the homestead standing thereon. Also the wharf on the eastern side of Mill Street, bordering on the South river.†

Children :

190. MEHITABLE, m. Jan 6, 1801,* Daniel Knight.

191. JOSEPH, m. —. He was a baker in Gloucester.

192. JOHN, m. Nov. 10, 1816,* Martha Southwick. He was a laborer in Cambridge.

137 Samuel Gardner, the youngest son of Joseph and Mehitable (Pope) Gardner, was a master mariner, and was lost at sea in 1796, in a vessel of which he was in command.

He married Jan. 31, 1788, Hannah Stevens,* daughter of Hon. Brimsley Stevens of North Andover, Attorney-General during the Revolution. She died in March, 1805, aged 34 years.‡

Children :

193. REBECCA, b. Sept. 1789 (bap. Jan. 1792§); m. 1st, May 25, 1809, Capt. John Allen, of Salem.* He died a prisoner of war in Dartmoor Prison in England, in 1814. She m. 2nd, Jan. 27, 1820, Ebenezer Goldthwaite,* son of Joseph and Mary (Goldthwaite) Goldthwaite. Children: 1. Ebenezer Gardner, b. Oct. 30, 1820; d., 1886, at the Soldiers' Home, at Togus, Me.; m. 1st, July 20, 1845, at Wakefield, Mass., Harriet A. Perveare, dau. of James and Elizabeth Perveare; m. 2nd, July 3, 1852, Anstice Carter, of Peterboro, N. H. No children. He was a soldier in Andrew's Sharpshooters, 22nd Regt. Mass. Volunteers, in the Civil War. 2. Charles, b. Oct. 2, 1822; m. Marie A. Goodridge. 3. Rebecca Allen, b. Nov. 17, 1824; m. Dec. 5, 1850, Maj. Nathan D. Stoodley,

* Town Records.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 244, leaf 260 and book 245, leaf 204.

‡ Salem Gazette, Mar. 15, 1805.

§ North Church Records.

- s. of Nathan and Sally (Ayres) Stoodley. 4. Harriet Gardner, b. Dec. 23, 1826; d. at Wenham, Nov. 15, 1831. 5. William Henry, b. June 16, 1829; m. Feb. 10, 1854, Elizabeth C. Wheeler, dau. of Samuel C. and Abby (Wilson) Wheeler.*
194. SAMUEL, bap. Jan. 1792;† d. unm.
195. SUKEY STEPHENS (STEVENS), bap. Sept. 21, 1794.†
196. HANNAH, bap. Aug. 28, 1796;† d. Dec. 21, 1883, aged 87 years, 3 months 28 days;‡ m. Jan. 22, 1822, George Creamer. Children: 1. Hannah Gardner, b. about 1823. She was a teacher and authoress. 2. George, b. May 2, 1825; d. Feb. 28, 1870;§ m. Elizabeth Walker.

SIXTH GENERATION.

139 John Gardner, the only son of Capt. John

John Gardner

and Elizabeth (Putnam) Gardner, went to sea in the early part of his life, and was master of a vessel in the West India trade for several years.§ In the year 1763, he built a brick mansion on Essex Street, on the site of the present Gardner Block.|| He lived here until 1778, when he removed from Salem to Wenham, and lived upon a large farm which he had purchased in that town and Ipswich.§

JURY.

He served in 1762, and was excused twice in 1764, and once in 1767, 1771 and 1772. The excuse given in 1771 was, that he was "at sea," and this was probably the reason in most of the other instances.‡

CHURCH.

His children were baptized in the Tabernacle Church, and he therefore probably worshipped there until his

* Goldthwaite Genealogy, p. 110.

† North Church Baptisms.

‡ Town Records.

§ Notes of Samuel Pickering Gardner.

|| Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. vi, p. 100.

removal to Wenham. He purchased a pew in the Wenham Meeting House, of Hatfield White of Danvers. Sept. 29, 1785.*

REAL ESTATE.

John Gardner, Jun., received from his father-in-law, Timothy Pickering, Jan. 19, 1760, a house-lot on Main Street (now Essex) as a part of the marriage portion of Elizabeth Pickering his daughter.† This lot was the site now occupied by Gardner Block. He built a house upon it in 1763, as mentioned above. He purchased land bordering upon this lot, of Michael Moore, and John Turner, in 1760 and 1764.‡ He offered this brick house and lot for sale, in 1795, the advertisement stating that it was occupied by Capt. Samuel Robinson.§ John and his wife conveyed this house to Philip Chase and Henry Rust, Oct. 20, 1801.||

In 1777 he purchased of Thomas Brown of Wenham, for £1480, "divers tracts of land in Wenham and Ipswich amounting to 137 1-2 acres."¶ This purchase included the homestead lot of 103 acres. Between this date and 1802, he purchased many other lots in that vicinity, of Nathaniel and Thomas Brown: Daniel, Elizabeth, Jonathan and "Taminy" Killiam: Asa Cole and Oliver Obeare.** He sold land in Wenham to Daniel Kilham, in 1779,†† and in Ipswich to George Dodge, Jun., in 1792.‡‡

In 1780 (Aug. 14), with the other proprietors of Long Wharf he sold it to Richard Derby, Jun., and George Crowninshield.§§ He was appointed administrator of his father's estate, and in that capacity sold much property. These sales have all been noted in the article relating to Capt. John Gardner (No. 90).||| A mortgage held by him is on record, which was discharged later.¶¶

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 144, leaf 232.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 256.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 115, leaf 29; book 115, leaf 115.

§ Salem Gazette, May 13, 1795.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 168, leaf 255.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 135, leaf 62.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 135, leaf 172; book 140, leaves 109 and 142; book 141, leaves 102 and 103; book 142, leaf 18; book 147, leaf 4; book 156, leaf 270; book 163, leaves 277 and 278; book 211, leaf 124.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 131, leaf 150.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 230, leaf 21.

§§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 123, leaf 1.

||| Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXVIII, p. 373 (deprint, p. 165).

¶¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 144, leaf 142.

He subscribed £21 toward the paving of the main street in 1792.* In 1787 he was executor of the estate of Daniel Kilham of Wenham.†

John Gardner married twice. His first wife was Mary Gale, of Marblehead. They were married in that town, June 25, 1754.‡

His second wife, and the mother of his children, was Elizabeth Pickering, daughter of Col. Timothy and Mary (Wingate) Pickering.§ Colonel Pickering was a member of the cabinets of Presidents Washington and Adams. Her father gave her at the time of her marriage, for her part of his estate, £106, 13 shillings, and for 10 shillings paid to him by John Gardner, sold to him the house lot on the main street, referred to above.¶ In 1812, widow Elizabeth Gardner, of Wenham, sold to her brother Timothy Pickering, of Wenham, "7 undivided eighths parts" of the "Apple tree lot or Hardy's lot" in "South fields," also "Pickering's Point Pasture" adjoining the above, and a lot bounded on three sides by Broad, Pickering and Green (now Warren) Streets.¶ May 30, 1812, she bought of the other heirs of John Pickering, six-eighths of the certain lands in the Great Pastures,¶ and transferred the same to Ichabod Nichols, May 8, 1813.** She bought back this property on Dec. 23, 1813, for \$1.00.†† She died Oct. 12, 1823, and was buried in the Wenham Burying Ground. Her age as given on the stone was 86.

* Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. vii, leaf 37.

† Salem Mercury, July 10, 1787.

‡ Marblehead Town Records.

§ Pickering Genealogy, 33-45-9.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 236.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 197, leaves 86-9.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 199, leaf 217.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 201, leaf 210.

(To be continued.)

SALEM COMMONERS RECORDS,
1713-1739.

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(Continued from Vol. XXXVIII, page 288)

The foregoing Returne is Done and Made according to
the best of our Skill and Judgment

Salem March 23rd 1723

by Vfs

Joseph Burnap

Jonathan Wade

} Surueiors

Witnesses

Robert Marshall

Ephraim Ingolls

Efsex fs

Salem 10th Aprill 1723 Ephraim Ingols personally
Appearing Made Oath that he was present and Saw Joseph
Burnap and Jonathan Wade Signe the foregoing Returne
& that he Subscribed his name as a Witnefs att the Same
time with Robert Marshall

Coram: Theophilus Burrell Jus^{re} Peace

Att a Meeting of the Grand Committe for the Comon
Lands In Salem Aprill the Ninth day 1723 present as
¶ Margent

Col^o S^a Brown Es^r

Jos: Wolcott Esq^r

M^a S^u Sewal Esq^r

Cap^{it} P^r Osgood

Cap^{it} S^a Gardner

Cap^{it} Jon^a Putnam

M^r Jam^s Lindall

Wee of the Grand Committe do Agree too and Accept
of the foregoing Returne of the Surueyers and Layers out
of the Comon Lands in Salem and do order that M^r
William Gedney the Proprietors Clerke do enter the
Same in the Proprietors Book of Records As also that itt
is Agreed and Ordered that the Hundred Acres of Land

left on y^e Southern side of Boston Road beginning att the Western End Joyning to the highway Leading from Corwins Pond to the Spring Pond be as a Reserve to make Good Corwins or Traske[s] Claime to a farme of one Hundred Acres they demand there If they can make outt a better Right to Itt then the Proprietors, and their is allowance for the way between The Two Ponds fouer Rod broad and then the way to Runn Round the East End of Spring Pond three Rod Broad and then on the South Side of the Pond Two Rod broad and then on the South Side of the Pond Two Rod broad as the way goes to Linn Line

There is also allowance made for the way or Road from the Southern Southfeild Gate to Forrest Riuer Bridge which is to be Three Rod broad

Also Itt is Agreed and to be Vnderstood that the Ministry Lands now Layd out Is to be the Settled Ministers and their Successors In the Seuerall Parrishes or Precincts in this Towne as they are now allowed and Established by the Laws of this Prouince
of the Grand Committe

Sam^l Browne
Jos: Wolcot
Stephen Sewall

Walter Price
Peter Osgood
James Lindall

[57] Att a Meeting of the Grand Committe for the Comon Lands In Salem February 11th 1723 present as [#] margent

Col^o Sam^l Browne
Josiah Wolcot Es
Maj^r St^e Sewal Esq

Cap^t Sa^m Gardner
Cap^t Pet^r Osgood
Cap^t Jon^s Putnam
M^r James Lindall

Agreed and Itt is Judged Conuenient and Suitable that M^r William Gedney Clerk of the proprietors do forthwith put up notifications on the fouer meetinghoufes in the Seueral parishes in this Towne, Certifying the proprietors of the Comon Lands in Salem that the Grand Comittee of the proprietors haue proceeded according to the Voat of the proprietors: October 30th 1721 and haue Caused the Comon Lands in Salem to be Laid out in three Diuitions Conformable to Said Voat;

Wherefore they may now proceed to Manage and Improve their Said Divisions of Land Respectively. And it is further desired that there be a Copy of y^e Surveyors Returne Given to one of the Grand Committeemen of the Proprietors in the three Seuerall Divisions for Information of their Neighbour Proprietors

Notifications was posted up accordingly 18 Feb 1724 and Copia^r Given to y^e Comitymen to the Surveyors Returne

A List of the names of the Proprietors of the Common Lands In Salem Liuing In the Towne or Two Lower Parish^s and their Number of Rights.

TWO LOWER PARISHS

Gilbert Taply Sr	1	Coll ^o Samuel Browne	
Gilbert Taply Jun ^r	1	Esq ^r	15
Esekiell Water 2 Sold		Old Vincent	1
1 to Jun ^r Watters		George Felt	3
Re ⁿ	1	William Beckett	2
Cap ^t Thomas Barton	3	Francis Skerry	15
Joseph Williams widow	2	Widow Prif-ila Skerry	5
Richard Downing		Maj ^r William Browne	
Simond Williard	1	Esq ^r	11
William Ropes	2	Cap ^t John Browne	10
Daniell Caton	1	Maj ^r John Turner	14
Benjamin Smals widow	1	Jonathan Glouer	2
Josiah Williard	1	John Guppy	2
Walter Palfreys Estate	2	Elisabeth Hasket	3
Jonathan Ager	2	Doct ^r Francis Gahff-	
John Majery	2	man	2
Daniell Webb	2	Widow Hanah Culbert	1
John Gerrish	2	William Punchard	1
Cap ^t John Richards	1	Widow Stephens	1
John Phippen	2	William Harbert	2
Cap ^t Benjamin Pickman	3	Obed Carter	1
Elisabeth Pickman Ex-		Gilbert Peeters	1
centrix	3	John Webb	1
Joseph Hilliard	2	Widdow Whitford	2
John Loder	2	Joseph Phippen	1
Christopher Babbage Sr	1	John Jarmon	1

Samuel Ingersols Children	2	John Collins	2
Elizabeth White	1	Andrew Woodbery	2
Widow of John Ornes		Francis More Sold to	
S ^e	2	Col ^e Turner	0
Widow Dowery	1	Robert Bray S ^e	1
Mary Poulton	1	Joseph Swasy S ^e	2
Benjamin Ropes	2	Thomas Maskcoll	1
Cap ^t Walter Price	5	John Carter	2
M ^r Timothy Lindals		John Smith	2
Estate & L	4	Abraham Purchase	2
M ^r Mary Lindall	3	Richard Flinder	2
Joseph Hardy	5	John Becket S ^e	1
Joshua Graftons Estate	3	Isaac Foot	1
Cap ^t Peter Osgood	6	John Marsters	3
Widdow of Peter		Mathew Barton Sold	
Cheuers	1	Ezekiel Golthite	0
Richard Prince	1	Joseph English	1
Samuell Foot	2	Aron Misery	1
John Grafton	1	William Murry	1
Joseph Beedle	2	Widdow Ann Phippen	2
John Williams	7	John Webb Carpenter	1
John Ward	1	Eleazer Keysor	2
Elisabeth Dean	1	Eleazer Mofes	1
Samuell Archer	2	Thomas Watters Sold	
Jonathan Archer	2	to Col ^e Turner	0
Joseph Androfs	3	Thomas Lasking	1
John Orne	2	Adoniram Collins	1
William Hirst Esq ^r	3	Samuell Pope	1
William Gedney	5	William Jeggles	2
Samuell Wakefield	2	Lawrence Majery	1
Phillip Hill	2	Cap ^t Richard Harrifs	1
Jacob Manning	5	Edward Bishop Soyer	1
John Ropes	4	old John Markol	1
Josiah Woolcot Esq ^r	4	Samuell Hayward	2
John Pickering	9	Nathaniell Silsby S ^e	1
Miles Ward	7	Joseph Gray	1
William Frost	2	Benjamin Gray	1
Widdow Bush	4	John Lander	1
Joseph Allen	5	John Rodgers	1
		Cap ^t William Bowditch	1
		Madam Bradstreet	2

Francis Willoughby	2	Peter & Benj ^a Hender-	
John Higginson Esq ^r	8	son	2
Robert Gray	2	Samuell Robinson	2
Widow Hannah Beedle	1	Nathaniell Beedle Jun ^r	1
John Mackmillion	3	John Smith at the	
Benjamin Ashbee	2	ferry	1
Stephen Daniell	1	John Smith Malsters	
Widdow Welds	2	houfe	1
John Mechum	2	Jonathan Hart	2
James Simonds	4	John Best	1
		Thomas Mafon	1
	179	M ^r Francis Clarke	1
		Thomas Elkins	2

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[58] A List of the Names of The Proprietors of the Common Lands In Salem Liuing in the Town or Two Lower Parishes and their number of Rights brought Forward

TWO LOWER PARRISHES

Daniell Stone	1	James Darling	1
William Roach	3	John Blaney	2
Nathaniell Gedney	2	Abiall Turner Sould	
Edward Berry to Nic-		to Col ^o Turner	0
ols Village	0	Deac ⁿ John Marston	
Mr. Benj ^a Gerish S ^e	3	Sold to Henry	
Nathaniell Osgood	1	West	0
John Crumell	1	Richard Croad	2
John Colliers Widdow	1	Maj ^r Stephen Sewal	
Robert Stone Jun ^r	3	Esq ^r	3
Joseph Grafton	1	Jeremiah Rodgers	2
Nathaniell Ingersoll	1	Mr Benjamin Marson	2
Samuel Ingersoll	1	Richard Palmer	3
Richard Ingersoll	1	Widdow of John An-	
Paull Mansfield S ^e	2	drews	1
Widow Towser	1	John Marston S ^e &	
George Cox S ^e	1	Jn ^o Marston Jun ^r	1
Thomas Veely	1	William Stacy	1
Nathaniell Silsby Jun ^r	2	Benjamin Ashbe S ^e	1

Christopher Phelps	2	Jonathan Felt	1
George Cox Jun ^r	1	Daniell Ba[c]on S ^r	1
William Curtice Jun ^r	3	Daniel Bacon Jun ^r	2
John Sanders	1	John Norman	1
Cap ^t John Gardner of		Ebenezer Lambert	1
Nantuckitt	3	Jonathan Neele	3
Robert Glandfeild	1	Jonatban Pickering	1
Bartholomew Browne	2	John Emerson Sold to	
John Whitefoot	1	Mr Fiske	0
John Archer house	2	Mathew Easlice	2½
Samuell Verry	1	Samuell Swasy	2
Samuell Phippen S ^c	1	Abigall Larrimore	1
James and Barthol ^o		James G[i]llingham	1
Putnams house	1	Mr Robert Kitchen	3½
Alexander Coals	1	John Cooke Jun ^r	2
Edward Mould	2	John Cooke S ^c	2
Samuell Shattock	2	Abraham Cole	1
Flowrence Maccarter		Edmond Batter	4
Crumels houses	5	Col ^o John Hathorne	
Samuell Phillips	3	Esq ^r	10
Sold 1 to Mr		Thomas Rucks Estate	4
Fiske	2	Jonathan Corwine Esq ^r	3
Samuell Gray	1	Peter Henderson S ^c	3
William Lord	1	Joseph Majery	1
Peter Windat	2	Samuel Robinson Jun ^r	1
Samuell Lambert	1	Thomas Elkins S ^c	3
George Hodges	3	Nathaniel Black	3
John Mafsey S ^c	9	Isaac Williams	2
Jeremiah Neale Jun ^r	3	Joseph Orne S ^c	3
Jeremiah Neale S ^c	5	Benj ^a Ornes Estate	2½
Paul Mansfeild Jun ^r	1	Simond Ornes Estate	2
George Birch	1	Habbakuk Gardner	2
Benjamin Lynde Esq ^r		Widdow Hooper	1
1 B L Jr 1 Upton		John Glouer	1
1 Swinton	3	Widdow Baxter	1
Cap ^t William Pickering	7	Samuell Skiner	1
Phillip English S ^c	2½	Widdow Stephens	2
Cap ^t John Corwin	2	John Milke	1
John Chapman	2	Edward Norrifs	2
John Higginson Jun ^r	4	John Simpson	2
		William Pinson	2

John Mafekoll Jun ^r	2	John Sibly	1
Cap ^t Joseph Flint	1	Joseph Neale	2
Widdow Elizabeth		Samuell Woodwell	1
Darby	1	Edward Flints Estate	10
Widdow Mary Gedney	1	John Maccarter	1
Elisabeth Tawley	2	John Datten	1
old Mr. John Rucks		Georg Hackers Estate	2
estate	3	Widdow Chatwell	1
Katherine King	4	William Beens S ^r	2
mem ^o 2 Sold into		William Beens Jun ^r	1
y ^e N ^{oth} precinct	2	Benjamin Pickering	2
Lewis Hunt	3	Thomas Flint	5
Mr Deliuurance Park-		William Reenes	1
man	9	Ephraim Kempton	2
Joseph Duglace	1	Daniell Epes Esq ^r	5
Samuell King	2	Samuell Gasking S ^e	4
Cap ^t Manafseth Mar-		Joseph Boyce Jun ^r	4
ston	1	Josiah Southwick Es-	
Mr Nicolas Noyce 3 :		tate Sold to M ^r	
Sold 2 to Mr flisk		Ward	3
& 1 to Jn ^o		George Lockers Es-	
Jacobs	0	tate 3 : Sold 1½ to	
Jonathan Bly	2	Jn ^o & W ^m Os-	
Richard Pike	1	burne	1½
Thomas Maule	5	John Loomes	3
Samuel West	4	John Norton	1
Henry West	2	Elias Traske	1
Manafseth Marston		John Flint	2
Jun ^r	1	Samuell Sibley	1
Edward Brittain &			
Jos : Henfeild	1		158
Caleb Buffum	6		
Joshua Buffum	2		
John Holmes	2		
Widdow Darling	1		
John Simonds	2		

Lands In Salem Liuing In the Towne or Two Lower Parish' and their number of Rights Brought forward

TWO LOWER PARISHES

Robert Buffam	8	John and Samuel	
Robert Neale	2	Ropes	1
Richard Rose house	1	Miall Bacon	1
Dauid Flint	1	John Higginson	3 of
Ebenezer Glouer	1	his grandt ^h S.	
John Lambert S ^r	1	Gardner	3
Joseph Dean	2	Mr Samuel Fiske	8
Timothy Orne	1	Joseph Thrasher	3
Thomas Simonds	4	Mr James Lindall	1
Mallachy Foot	1	Enofs Pope	6
Ganaliell Hodges	1	Samuell Gasking Jun ^r	2
Lemmon Beedle	1	John Prat of Josiah	
Nathaniell Phippen	1	Putnam	1
Mr John Cabbett	1	Benjamin Boyce	2
Edward Cox	1	Mr Benjamin Gerrish	2
Joseph Cooke	1	Eleazer Pope	3
Widdow Experience		Thorndike Proctor	
Flint	1	Junr	1
George Peale	1	Benjamin Flint	5
John Bickford	2	Abraham Redwood	1
Samuell Aborne	7	Samuell Goodell	2
Josiah Orne half a		Benjamin Iues	16
Right	$\frac{1}{2}$	Paul Raymond	2
		Ebenezer Felton	1
		Samuell Stone J ^a for	
		Reeus	1
		William Addams heirs	1
			102 $\frac{1}{2}$
			158
			184
			167
			179
			790 $\frac{1}{2}$

[59] A List of the names of the Proprietors of the Common Lands In Salem Liuing in Salem Liuing In the Middle Precinct and there Number of Rights

MIDDLE PRECINCT

John Robinson	3	Thomas Buffinton S ^e	1
George Smith	9	Joseph Buxton	11
John Nurfs S ^e	1	Isaac Cookes E-state	1
Cap ⁿ Sam ^l Gardner 6 :		Samuell Aborn S ^e Es-	
3 to Jn ^o Higgin-		tate : 2 : to Sam ^l	
son	3	Aborn Ju	0
John Pudney S ^e	1	Isaack Follitt	1
Samuell Fraile S ^e	1	Samuell Foster	1
Daniell Mackintire	1	Eleazer Goiles	1
Abell Gardner	3	Phillip Lofier	1
Samuell Golethite S ^e	2	George Jacobs	2
Ezekiell Golethite	4	Isaac Pees for Tyleys	
John Moulton S ^e	1½	houfe	1
George Flint	1½	Widdow Shaffin 2 :	
John Trask Jun ^r Wm ^r		Sold to Ely ^e pope 1	1
Sonn Sold to M ^r		John Traske S ^e Sold	
Ward	0	to Benj ^a Flint	0
Lawrence Southwick	1	Nicolafs Traske	2
Daniell Southwick		Daniell Southwick S ^e	5
Jun ^r	1	Thomas Verrys Widow	1
W ^m Osburne S ^e 3 :		Benjamin Verry	2
Sold 1½ to Benj ^a		Humphry French	4
Iues Remains	1½	William Curtice	2
John Osburne Sold to		Joseph Flint	1
Benj ^a Iues	0	Dauid Harrod pd In	
Robert Moulton S ^e 2		land Ineroacht by	
Sold 1 to Th ^o		him	0
Mackentire	1	James Houlton	6½
Samuell Golethite Jun ^r	1	Anthony Needham Jun ^r	1
Stephen Small	3	Benjamin Popes Wid-	
Nathaniell Tompkins	4	ow Sold to S ^a West	0
John Gardner	2	Robert Pees	1
Samuell Stone S ^e	3	John Jacob	2
Richard Watters	3	Robert Wilson Jun ^r	2
John Watters S ^e Estate	2	Jonathan Harrod	1

Benjamin Porter	4	Samuell Cooke Isaac	
Thornidick Procter: 4		Son	4
one Giuen to his		Ebenezer Cutler	1
Son	3	Robert Wilson S ^c	1
John Felton	1	Anthony Needham S ^c	
Serg ^t Nath ^a Felton 2		Sold to John Traske	0
one Giuen to Eb.		Cap ^t Israell Porter	2
Felton	1	old Mr John Porters	
Samuell King Johns		Estate	1
Son	1	Mr Endecot ^r Orchard	
Samuell Cutler	1	Farme Sold to	
John Watters Junr	4	Th ^r Simonds	0
Jacob Reed	2	Peter Twist Jun ^r	1
Ebenezer Foster	2	Joseph Dowtey	1
Dauid Foster	4	Jonathan Nuffs	1
John Southwick Es-		John Verry	1
tate	2	Samuell Marble	1
James Goold	1	Mr Benjamin Prescott	4
John Procter	3	Nathaniell Watters	1
John Foster	3	Thomas Mackentire	2
John King S ^c E-state	2	Thomas Goold 1 Sold	
Abraham Pearce	2	to Enofs Pope	0
William Shaw S ^c	1	Thomas Green	2
Nathaniel Felton Jun ^r	1	John Harrod	1
John Marsh	1	Peter Twist S ^c	1
Jonathan Marsh	1	John Tarbell Jun ^r	1
Ezekiell Marsh	1	Ebenezer Marsh	1
Joseph Goold	1	Ebenzer Lindsey Sould	
Samuell Osburne	3	to Sam ^l Goodall	0
John & Nath ^a Felton		Jonathan Boyce	1
for y ^r fathers house	3	Samuell Cooke Cooper	1
		William Orsburne Jun ^r	
	101½	Sold to Benj ^a Iues	0
		John Slapp Sold to	
		Mr Fiske	0
		John Southwick Junr	1
		Rober[t] Wilson Junr	1
		Moses Aborne Junr	1
		Jonathan Felton	1
		Samuell Felton	1
		Daniell Epps Jun ^r	1
			86½

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MIDDLE PRECINCT

Jonathan Pudney	1	Thomas Needham Sold	
Ebenezer Moulton		to John Traske	0
mem ^o his house is		John Buxton Joseph	
on Comon Land	0	Sonn	3
Isaac Reed	1	Jonathan Buxton	2
John Pudny Jun ^r Es-		John & William Os-	
tate	1	burne	1
Samuel Pudny 2 : Sold			
1 to Enos Pope	1		15
Skelton Felton	1		86½
Daniell Shaw	1		101½
James Buxton	3		
Isaac Needham Sold to			
James Buxton	0		203

[60] A List of the names of the Proprietors of the Comon Lands In Salem Lining In the Village and Royall Side or North Precinct and there Number of Rights

THE VILLAGE

John Buxton S ^c	3	Joseph Hutchinson	1
John Traske Royal-		Thomas Preison Es-	
side	1	tate	1
William Buckly Sold		Cap ⁿ Walcotts Estate	1
to Jon ^a Buxton	0	James Smiths Estate	1
Jacob Fuller 2 Sold to		Samuell Braybrooke	1
Mr Prescott &		Henry Brownes Estate	1
Geo ^r Smith	0	John Rea	1
Thomas Fuller S ^c Sold		Joshua Reas Estate	1
to James Houlton	0	Cap ⁿ Thomas Raymond	3
Thomas Fuller J ^a Sold		Jonathan Raymond	2
to John Buxton	0	John Kittle	1
Zackariah Goodell S ^c	1	John Cressy	4
Isaac Goodell Sold to		Joseph Batchelders	
Samuell Goodell	0	Estate	1

Zackariah Goodell Jun ^r	1	John Batchelder	1
John Goiles Sold to		Josiah Batchelder	1
Jn ^o & W ^m Os-		Jonathan Batchelder	1
burne	0	Nathaniell Howard S ^r	1
Joseph Holton	1	Nicolaſs Hayward Sold	
Henry Houlton	1	to George Smith	0
John Houlton	1	Nehemiah Howard	
Joseph Hutchinson S ^r		Sold to Col ^o	
E-ſtate	1	Browne	0
Sam ^l Nurfs S ^r Sold to		Cornelius Baker	1
Paul Raymond &		Ebenezer Woodberry	1
G ^o Smith	0	John Froſt for Greens	
Joseph Goodell	1	houſe	1
Joseph Pope Sold to		Samuell Traſke	1
Enoſs & Eliz ^r Pope	0	Jacob Griggs	2
James Phillips	2	Jonathan Fuller Sold	
Joseph Swinerton	1	to Jn ^o Buxton	0
Jaſ-ſer Swinerton	1	John Kenny	1
Zackariah White	1	Daniell Andrew	3
Samuell Nurfs Jun ^r		John Wilkins S ^r Sold	
Sold to Rb ^l Bufum	0	to Jn ^o & W ^m Os-	
Samuell Goodell	1	burne & Pope	0
Eaſter Swinerton Sold		Thomas Wilkins S ^r	
to Mr Linde &		Sold to Sam ^l	
S ^r Aborn	0	Nurfs then to R B	0
James Roſs Sold to Mr		John Walcott	1
Fi-ke	0	Henry Wilkins Sold to	
John Tarbell S ^r	2	Col ^o Turner	0
James Putnam	5	Thomas Kenny	2
Benj ^s Wilkins Sold to		John Day for James	
Benj ^s Ives	0	Barny Sold to	
Abraham Smith	3	Rob ^l Bufum	0
Daniell Rea S ^r	3	Serg ^{nt} John Leech	2
Henry Kenny	1	his Son Samuel Leech	1
Joseph Whipple Sould		John Dorland Sold to	
to Jn ^o Buxton		James Buxton	0
& G ^o Smith	0	James Prince	2
Ruth Osburne: 2:		Joseph Prince Sold to	
Sold 1 to Jn ^o &		Robert Buſſam	0
W ^m Osburne	1	John Deale S ^r	1
John Eaſtice Sold to		Thomas Bailey Sold to	
Coll ^o Turner	0	Col ^o Turner	0

Benjamin Fuller	1	Thomas Nickols Sold to	
Cap ^t Thomas Flint	3	Co ^{lo} Turner	0
Deacon Nathaniell Ingersoll	2	Mr Joseph Herrick	1
Benjamin Hutchinson	2	Jabez Baker	1
Edward Nickols	2	William Rufsell S ^e	
Joseph Porter S ^e	1	Sold to Jo Buxton	0
Samuell Porter Sold to		William Vpton Sold to	
Sam ^l West	0	Eleazer Pope	0
Joseph Putnam: 7:		Samuel Vpton 2 Sold	
Sold 2 to Mr		1 to Benja ^a Linde	
Lindall	5	Esq ^r	1
Corolin ^a John Putnam		Benjamin Holton	2½
Sold to Col ^o Turner	0	Joseph White and his	
Leif th Benja ^a Putnam 6:		mother Sold to Mr	
Sold 3 to J ^o		Fiske	0
Thrasher	3	Mr Nathaniell Putnam	1
Thomas Putnam Sold		Mr Izrael Porter Sold	
to Ez ^k Golethite	0	to Robert Bufum	0
John Putnam Weaver	3	Tarrent Putnam	1
Cap ^t Jonathan Putnam	1		49½
Edward Putnam	1		
Eleazer Putnam	2		
Ezekiell Cheuers 2:			
Sold 1 to Rob ^t			
Bufum	1		
John Hutchinson Sold			
to James Lindall	0		
	59		
	49½		
	29		
	137½		

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THE VILLAGE

Thomas Flint Jun ^r	1
James Putnam Jun ^r	1
Jonathan Putnam Jun ^r	1
Widdow Daggit's sold to Mr Prefcott	0
John Buxton Jun ^r Sold to Jonathan Buxton	0
Ambros Hutchinson Sold to James Buxton	0
Samuell Rea	1
Humphry Cafe Sold to J ^o Buxton	0
John Ganson	1
John Fuller Sold Sold to Jn ^o & W ^m O-burne	0
Samuell Fuller Sold to Col ^o Turner	0
Joseph Fuller Sold to Mr Prefcott	0
David Richardson	1
John Osburn Village Sold to James & Ben Holton	0
Josiah Putnam Sold to Mr Pratt	0
Joseph Putnam Jun ^r	1
William Small	1
Benj ^t Wilkins Jun ^r Sold to Jn ^o & W ^m O-burne	0
Acquilla Wilkins Sold to Mr Benj ^a Gerrish	0
Joseph Wilkins Sold to Col ^o Turner	0
John Wilkins Terst Sold to J ^o Buxton	0
John Browne weaver	1
John Deale Jun ^r Sold to Enofs Pope	0
Jonathan Hayward Sold to Jn ^o Osburn	0
Richardson Hutchinson Sold to J ^o Burton	0
William Porter Sold to Mr Fiske	0
William Rufsell Jun ^r	1
Thomas Bayley Jun ^r	1
Benjamin Rufsell Sold to J ^o Buxton	0
Jonathan Fuller Sold to John Buxton	0
Ezekiell Cheuers Jun ^r	1
Cornelius Tarbell	1
Samuell Putnam	1
Isaac Burton Sold to George Smith	0
Joseph Buxton Jun ^r	1
John Prefson	1
Abraham Goodell	1
John Wilkins Jun ^r Sold to Mr Gerrish	0
Robert Hutchinson Sold to J ^o Buxton	0

Cap ⁿ John Dodge and Son Jonathan	6
John Sibly Village to George Smith	0
Anthony Buxton Sold to Col ^o Turner	0
Hazadiah Smith Sold to Col ^o Turner	0
Nicolas Bailys house	1
Nathaniell Sibly 2; Sold 1 to Rob ^t Bufum	1
Daniell Rea	1
Katharine King 4 Sold 2 in the North Precinet	2
Isaac Wilkins Sold to George Smith	0
John Allen house in y ^e Village	1
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[61] Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Common and vndivided Lands in the Towne of Salem March 17th 172^g, being an Extraordinary full Meeting

Voted That Col^o Samuel Browne Esq^r is Chosen Moderator for the Meeting

Voted That W^m Gedney Esq^r Capⁿ Daniel Epes Capⁿ Sammel Barnard and M^r Benj^a Linde Jun^r are Chosen and added to Col^o Samuel Browne Esq^r of the former Commitee who are impowered to Cal all y^e proprietors meetings for the Common Lands in y^e Town of Salem

Voted in the Negatiue That the Matter Propofed in m^r Justice Lindals Warrant by the Desire of m^r Benjamin Prefcot and Seuen more Proprietors in the Middle Precinet, That the Proprietors of ye Comon Lands in Salem would Grant the Plains (So Called) of Common Lands Laying on the North Side of Boston Road between Strongwater Brook Bridge and the Buts Brook unto the Proprietors of the Village Royalside and Middle precinet Diuifions of Comon Lands in Proportion to their Rights in the Seuerall Diuifions besides the Lands Sett out to them in their Respective Diuifions Voated in the Negatiue.

Voted That Whereas the Proprietors of the Common Lands Laying in the Middle Precinet & Village and Royalside Diuifions haue Asked and Desired that the Proprietors of the Common Lands Laying in Salem would allow them Some further Considerations for their Diuifions and the matter being duely Considered, and itt

appearing that the Fence made on Linn Line from Darlings to Spring Pond was paid for out of the Stock of monys belonging to the Proprietors in General Therefore it is Agreed to allow unto the Middle Precinct and Village and Royal Side Diuifions their Respective parts of the Said mony So Expended formerly which is to be paid them in Proportion according to their S^d Diuifions and the Said mony Shal be paid them out of the Stock which Shal be Raifed by Seling Som parts or parcels of the Common Lands in Salem not yet Diuided or disposed of and this to be a final Issue and ful Settlement of the Seuerall Diuifions of the Comon Lands According as it was done by the Direction of the Grande Commitee by our Voat & order october thirtieth one Thousand Seuen Hundred and Twenty one and we do hereby allow and Confirme the Settlement of the Three Seuerall Diuifions of Comon Lands in Salem as it was Layd out and Returned by Joseph Burnap and Jonathan Waide Surueyers there haueing been A Regard had to the Quallity as well as Quantity as by the Returne of fise Gentlemen Appointed by the Grande Commitee to make a Valewation of the Quallity of Said Lands Appears and which was Receiued and allowed by the Grand Commitee and the Said Diuifion Settled Accordingly the Voat of the Proprietors

Voated That the monys which was in Stock belonging to the Proprietors in General be Diuided to the Three Seuerall Diuifions according to the Number of Rights they haue in Each Diuifion and paid Accordingly

[62] Att A Meeting of the Comitee that were Chosen and Impowred by the Proptⁿ of Comon Lands in Salem to call all Meetings of the Proptⁿ of Comon Lands mett Jan^y 25 1734

Agreed & Ordered that there be a Meeting of the Proprietors of Comon & Undevided Lands in Salem on Monday ye 15th day of Feb^r next at nine of the clock in the forenoon at the Town house in Salem viz^t: To make choice of a Clerk for the Grand Propriety of Comon Lands in the Room of W^m Gedney Esq^r Deceas^d also to make Choice of four Suitable Persons to be Added to such as are living of the first & Grand Comitee to make up the

number of s^d Comtee & to Consider whether the Prop^m in general will allow & further Impower the Grand Com^{te} to Receive any claims for Rights that have not as yet been made out: the s^d Claims being proved to the satisfaction of the Com^{te} according to the Rules & Methods formerly used in Receiuing the other Claims—also to make Choice of a new Com^{te} or further Impower & Direct such as remain of the old Com^{te} of Enchroachmts to take Special Care that no Enchroachmts be made on the Com^{ons} & to prosecute at Law Such as are already or hereafter may be made thereon unless such Trespassers can agree with the Grand Com^{te} on such terms as may be advantageous to the Proprietors—and also to Impower the Grand Com^{te} to make such Agreements & Compositions

To Consider if the Proprietors Judge it best of selling the whole or part of the Com^{on} Lands that Lyes on the North of Boston Road from Strong Water Brook to the Butts to the highest Bidder the produces of s^d Sale to be for the use & Service of the Prop^m to be Devided to the Several Divisions According to the sum of Rights which there is in each Division

To Consider of the Petition of several of the Prop^m of the village & Royal Side Division of Com^{on} Land with regard to some claims made on that Division of Com^{ons} lying on North of Ipswitch Road & to act what may be tho't proper by the Prop^m on the whole of s^d Petition Also to do what may be Judged best by the Prop^m as to letting out or fencing the Com^{ons} lying on Dog pond Rocks so called

Copy of the Notifications
posted on ye Meeting
houses in the Several Par-
ishes in the Town of Salem
B L. clerk

Saml ^l Browne	} Com ^{te}
Dan ^l Eppes	
Ben ^a Lynde Jun ^r	
Saml ^l Barnard	

[63] Att A Meeting of the Proprietors of the Com^{on} & Undevided Lands in Salem held at the Townhouse in Salem on Feb^r 15: 1730/31

Voted That Tim^o Lindal Esq^r is chosen Moderator for this Meeting

Voted That Ben^a Lynde Jun^r is chosen clerk to the Proprietors of the Com^{on} & undevided Land in Salem.

& was sworn to s^d office by Tim^o Lindal Esq^r at s^d meeting

Voted That there be four Persons chose to fill up the number of Such as are deceas^d of the Grand Comitee

Voted That Maj^r Dan^l Eppes Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Capt Tho^r Barton & Capt Sam^l Barnard be the Persons chose on s^d Comitee

Voted That the Grand Comitee as now filled up are hereby further allowed & Impowred for the space of Six months next Ensuing to receive any claim for Rights that have not as yet been made out According to such Rules & Methods, as the Comitee formerly used in Receiving the Claims & present the s^d Claims to the Proprietors at their next meeting for their Acceptance & being put upon Record.

Voted That Mr Ja Lindal Capt Plaisted Ben^a Marston Esq^r Ensign Dan^l Rea Mr Tim^o Pickering Mr Jn^o Trask Mr Ben^a Ives be A Comitee to Enquire into the Encroachments & Trespases that are made on the Comon Lands.

Voted That the Comitee of the Encroachments now chosen be Impowred & Directed to take special Care & notice of any Encroachments or Trespases that are or may be made on the Comon Lands & Certify the Grand Comitee thereof in Order to their Compounding or Agreeing them, & in case of non agreement to prosecute them or any of them at the Law.

Voted That the Grand Comitte be Impowred to make such Compositions & Agreements.

Itt being putt to Vote Whether the Proprietors would at this Meeting Vote the Lands on the North side of Boston Road to be sold. Voted in the Negative

In Answer to the first Clause of the Village Proprietors Petition praying

Voted That the Comitte of Encroachments have a Special Regard to all Trespassors on the Lands North of Ipswitch River laid out to the Village & Royal side and Prosecute such Trespassors, unless they Compound with the Grand Comitte as afores^d

In Answer to the Second Petition for allowing the Village to Enclose the Dog pond Rocks

Voted in the Negative.

The Question being put — Whether the Proprietors will at present Fence or otherwise Improve the Lands lying at Dog pond Rocks passed in the Negative.

[64] Att A Meeting of the Grand Committee of the Common Lands in Salem Feb 22^d 1732

Whereas the Proprietors Common & undivided Lands in Salem by a Vote passed at their Meeting on 15 Feb^r past did Impower the Grande Committee to receive the Claims for any Rights that have not as yet been made out According to such Rules & methods as were formerly used to receive s^d Claims These are therefore to Notify such Persons who have Rights yet to Enter that they bring in their claims to the s^d Committee who Intend to meet on that Service at Two of the Clock Afternoon on the Second Mondays of the Six Succeeding Months at the Sign of the Ship in Salem & all Persons are desired to take notice thereof accordingly ord^r of Com^{tee}

Ben^s Lynde Jun^r Prop^r Clerk

Copy of Notifications posted upon
the four Meeting houses on Salem
B L

Whereas the Prop^{rs} of the Common & Undivided Lands in Salem at their Meeting on the 29 June Inst. did further Impower the Grande Committee to receive Claims for three months, These are therefore to Notify all Persons who have any Rights to Enter that the Comite Intend to meet on the Second Monday in the months of July Aug^t & Septem^{br} next at Mr Pratts at three in the afternoon & all Persons who have buisnefs with the s^d Comite may then have an opportunity of Doing it ord^r Com^{tee}
Salem June 30 : 1732 Ben^s Lynde Jun^r Prop^{rs} Clerk
Copy of Notifications posted on y^e
four meetinghouses in Salem
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[65] Att a Meeting of the Committee that were Chosen & Impowered by the Proprietors of the Common & Undivided Lands in Salem to call all Meetings of the Proprietors Mett at M^r Pratts in Salem February 25th 1732

Agreed and Ordered that there be a Meeting of y^e Proprietors of y^e Common & Undivided Lands in Salem on Tuesday y^e Fourteenth Day of March next at Ten of y^e

Clock in y^e forenoon at the Town Houe in Salem viz. To appoint Some Perfons in the room of Sam^l Browne & W^m Gedney Esq^r Dec^d of the Comitte

To call Meetings also to fill up the Grand Comtee vacant by the Death of Col^o Browne & Maj^r Wal^r Price Also to know whether y^e Proprietors will allow any Further Time for Receiving of Claims And to consider of making Some allowance to y^e Grand Comtee for their Service & Trouble & of Allowances to y^e Clerk

Also to Chuse a Comtee to make legal Conveyances & Confirmations of such Peices of Land as have been Incroach'd on by Several Perfons according to y^e Compositions made for y^e Same with y^e Grand Comtee & to appoint Perfons to Lay out & Measure the Same To Consider of y^e petition of John Ruck Benj^a Flint & others of Dividing the Lands on the North Side of Boston Road to make Such Improvem^t & use of the Same by Division or otherwise as the Proprietar [y] at their Meeting shall Judge best To Consider of and Accept the Return of the Claims of such Perfons whose Rights have been Rec^d & made out to ye Grand Comtee

To appoint Agents to Defend y^e Comoners against y^e Suit of Eben^r Moulton To Consider of Making some allowance to y^e Village & Royal Side Proprietors for a grant of Land formerly inside Captain Lawthropes which Land was accounted & measured out to y^e Village & Royal side as part of their Division and to Consider of Cap^t Flints Claim for Stratons Grant To Consider of taking Some effectual measures to prevent Incroachments

Also to do what may be thought best as to y^e Improving Dogg Pond Rocks so Call'd and to do all other such Matters & things as shall be agreed on by ye Proprietors
 y^e Order of y^e Comtee

Benj Lynde Jun^r Propt^r Clerk

[66] Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Common & Undivided Lands in Salem at the Townhouse in Salem on Mar 14: 1734

Voted Mr James Lindal moderator for s^d meeting

It being put to vote whether Two Persons be added to fill up y^e grand Comitee

voted in Negative

Voted That the Grand Com^{te} or ye majr part be Invested with the Power of calling all nieetings

Voted that y^e maj^r part of the Seven persons remaining of the Grand Com^{itee} have the power of receiving claims

Voted That the Com^{itee} goe on to receive claims for Three months longer on the terms ye other claims were received

Voted That Ben^a Lynde Jun^r be allowed forty Shillings for his service as Clerk to this time

Voted on the Petition of Jon^a Buxton & others for a strip of the Com^{on} Land lying on the N^o Side of the Land measured to the middle precinct Prop^r on y^e west side of the Highway leading to y^e Rivers head & East of Feltons meadow of one Acre & half for Twenty five Pounds Voted That the same be granted & Confirmed to them on the paying of Twenty five pounds in Bills of Credit for the use of this Propriety

On the Petition of Dan^l Purintum for a smal peice of Com^{on} Land over against Geo: Smith's in that Angle on the Country Road to Erect an House on & to give thirty Shillings a pole for it

Voted That the s^d Purintum shal have as much as may be needful for him laid out to him & Confirmed on his paying thirty Shillings # pole for s^d land to be for the use of the Propriety

On the Petition of Peter Twifs Jun^r for the land lying in Comon on the Left hand of the road from Strong water brook going to Boston

Voted that he have so many pole of Land measured to him as to sett an house on & its granted & Confirmed to him on his paying twenty five Shillings # pole to the use of the Propriety

Voted on the Petition of Joseph Wilkins for a peice of the Com^{ons} where he has built an house on the Plain leading to the Middle Precinct Meetinghouse Voted that s^d Wilkins have Granted him so many poles of Land as may be Convenient for s^d house paying therefor Thirty Shillings # pole to the use of the Proprietors On the Petition of Ez^k Goldthrite for a peice of Land of the Com^{ons} where he has built an House as in the petition Voted that he have so much Land Granted to him to be

of the same front as is measured to Wilkins he paying thirty Shillings $\text{\textsterling}$ pole for the same, & to Give Ten Shillings $\text{\textsterling}$ pole for the rear Land down to the highway to be of the same breadth with the front

Voted On the Petition of Isaac Meachum for a peice of Comon Lands litle beyond the Town Bridge on which he has built a shop he paying Thirty five shillings $\text{\textsterling}$ pole for what he shal have

Voted that the same be Granted to him on those terms y^e mony to be for the use of the Propriety

Voted That the Grand Comitee or the maj^r part of them be Impowred to order the measuring out the land voted to be Confirmed to the above s^d Persons & make Legal Conveyances to them in the name of the Proprietors

Voted That the Lands lying in Comon from strong Water brook to the Butts on the North Side of Boston Road called Sam^l Stone & Verry's Plains be devided into three Devisions, viz to the Proprietors belonging

[67] Meeting of the Comon^s as on other Side belonging to the body of the Town or Two Lower Parrish Devisions, according to & in proportion to the number of their Rights, & to the Midle Precinct Devision according to the number of their Rights, & to the Village & Royal side Proprietors according to the number of their Rights, the s^d Devisions to be measured out & Proportioned to them Severally by the Three following Persons viz Capt Rob^t Woodberry M^r Henry Herrick Jun^r & M^r Nath^l Porter Sen^r a Comitee chose for s^d purpose & in case of Refusal of either of the three the other Two to Chose a third person. And the s^d Comitee are to have regard to the Quality & Quantity of Land in their Proportioning & allotting the Same to the several Devisions

Voted That the Land on Trasks & Mill plains do still ly in Comon For Such use as the Proprietors may hereafter Direct

Voted That M^r Thornd Procter M^r Ben^a Flint & M^r Jn^o Prefson be a Comitte to wait on the Gent^m appointed as afores^d to make a vallation & Devision of the Comons. & Desire them to Attend the s^d Affair as Soon as may be, & Stake out & Allott the Severall Devisions & the s^d Comitte as soon as its done shall present the Allotments

to the Proprietors at their next meeting for their Confirmation of the same

It being put to Vote Whether there should be a Road way along by Goldthrite's fence to come out by the Precinct Meeting house Voted in the Negative

Voted that the Road from Giles Plain to the middle precinct Meetinghouse be laid out by the Wid^r Stones to the North Westward of the House the same to be three poles wide & laid out by the Gentlemen who are to make the valuation and Devision of the Comons afores^d

Voted That M^r James Lindal & M^r Jacob Manning be the Agents of this Propriety for the Defending the Comons in the Suit of Eben: Moulton Comenced against them to be tryed at Ipswitch Court. & their power to Continue from Court to Court untill the Cause be ended

The return of the List of Claims made out to the Grand Comitte read & Voted That the same be Accepted & Recorded

Voted That The village Proprietors be allowed to make up the Fence & Enclose the Comons called Dog pond Rocks part of which is belonging to their Propriety & have the Improvement of it for Two years paying to the Proprietors for what they Shall Improve of the Propriety Such Sum or Sums as they can agree for with the Grand Comitte & their wall to be valued at the End of s^d Term & so much as belongs to the Proprietors to make shal be repaid them. They also allowing Such Persons whose Rights have been or may at y^e next meeting be voted to be laid out on s^d Comons, to Improve with Them on y^e paying a proportion of Fence.

Voted That the Affair of Cap^t Lawthrope & Strattons Grant be referred to the next meeting

Voted That M^r Jacob Manning Thornd Procter Jur^t Sam^l Eborn & Tim^o Pickering or Maj^r Part be a Comitte to look after Encroachments & have full power to prosecute to Effect any Person that have or Shall make Encroachments on the Comon Lands

[68] Att a Meeting of the Grand Comitte Impowred to receive the Claims of Such as heretofore had not made out their Rights meet at M^r Pratts Mar 8, 1730/1 Present

Mr Lindal Capt Osgood Majr Eppes Capt Barton Capt
Barnard B Lynde Junr

one Right for the House formerly Rich^d oakes built ^{RIGHT}
1714 & proved 1

Att A meeting of s^d Comittee at s^d Place April 12, 1731
Capt osgood Capt Putman Mr Lindal Majr Eppes
Capt Barton Capt Barnard B Lynde Junr

one Right for the House formerly Edw^d Bishops of
R^o Side Standing after 1702 & Sold 1713 to Jos
Trask of Beverly dec^d & deed 1713 1

one Cottage Right for old Jon^s Pickerings house
w^{ch} one Deacon built before 1661 1

one Right for Jon^s Boyce being for his Father Jos
Boyces house on Procters land built ab^o 1705 1

Att A Meeting of s^d Comittee at s^d Place June 14,
1731 Capt Osgood Capt Putman Capt Barton
Capt Barnard B Lynde Jr

Sam^l King Senr for a Right of Jon^s Harrods for his
house built 1714 1

A Right for y^e House Edw^d Twifs built on John
Eborn Land 1713 1

one Right for Jn^o Kempthorn House built 1711 1

one Right to Ez: Curler for the House Rob: Hill
built on his land 1713 1

Att A Meeting of s^d Comittee at s^d Place July 1731
Capt Osgood Mr Lindall Maj Epps Capt Barton
Capt Barnard B Lynde Jr

Jos Buxton for an house formerly Peter Prescotts a
Dwelling house 1703/4 1

Paul Mansfeld Senr for a Dwelling house on his Land
in w^{ch} Mr Eveleth a Baker lived before 1661
Sworn to & proved 1

Nath Silsby for a Cottage Right of Tho: Robbins in
y^e ferry lane 1

Att a Meeting of s^d Comittee at s^d Place Aug: 2, 1731
Present Capt Osgood, Putman, Lindal, Eppes
Barton Barnard Lynde Jr

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THE PEPPERRELLS IN AMERICA.

BY CECIL HAMPDEN CUTTS HOWARD.

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180 William Wentworth Furnald born Oct. 13, 1760: married Nov. 4, 1789, Waite Salisbury of Salisbury, Mass. He died Sept. 8, 1851.

Children:

- 469. ELIZA, m. James Johnson of Kittery, Me.
- 470. NANCY, m. Col. Gowen Wilson.
- 471. WAITE, m. Capt. Oliver Staples.
- 472. JULIA, m. Rev. P. Morrill.
- 472a. WENTWORTH.

181 Samuel Furnald born May 12, 1762: married April 4, 1825, Betsey Furnald and died March 3, 1857.

Children:

- 473. SARAH A. E., b. June 12, 1826; m. Oct. 5, 1845, Warrington Paul.
- 474. MARIA, b. Sept. 1, 1827; m. Samuel Paul; d. Oct. 31, 1848.

187 Hannah Furnald born Aug. 11, 1777: married Capt. Benjamin Furnald, who was born Aug. 6, 1775, and died 1818. She died Nov. 11, 1815.

Children:

- 475. WILLIAM WENTWORTH, b. Feb. 6, 1802; m. ———: d. Nov., 1871.
- 476. BENJAMIN, b. July 15, 1804; d. 1826.
- 477. JOHN BEAVER, b. Feb. 19, 1807; m. Nov. 20, 1828, Prudence Lord.
- 478. ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 28, 1808; d. 1847.
- 479. ELZIRA, b. April 22, 1811; d. at Brookfield, N. H.
- 480. ANN WENTWORTH, b. April 24, 1813; m. Sept. 20, 1835, Henry Thompson.

195 Theodore Atkinson Cutts born 1768:

(81)

married Nov. 25, 1804, Mary A. Furnald, who died April 13, 1853, aged 86 (see 184). He died May 3, 1853.

Children :

- 481. OLIVE, b. May 27, 1806; m. 1st, 1833, Oliver Clark; m., 2nd, M. Hatch; d. Sept. 1, 1884.
- 482. THOMAS, b. Oct. 23, 1807; d., unm., 1843.

196 Polly Cutts born 1770; married, 1801, John Clarke, of Dayton, Me.

Children :

- 483. OLIVER, m. 1833, Olive Cutts (see 481); d. 1835.
- 484. SOPHIA, m. ——— Currler.
- 485. ALMIRA, m. ——— Buck.
- 486. MARGERIE, m. ——— Hight.
- 487. ELIZABETH, m. Nathaniel Clarke.
- 488. WILLIAM.

198 William Cutts born 1776; married June 29, 1802, Hannah Grouard, who died Mar. 18, 1872, aged 89. He died Sept. 24, 1823, at Richmond, Va.

Children :

- 489. OLIVER, b. July 6, 1803; m. 1st, 1828, Mrs. Ellz. Smith; m. 2nd, 1863, Mrs. Walder; d. Nov. 2, 1889.
- 490. HANNAH, b. Jan., 1805; m. Jan. 16, 1838, Jno. Brown, jr.; d. Feb. 23, 1859.
- 491. HARRIET, b. 1807; d. unm. Apr. 28, 1837.
- 492. AUGUSTA, b. 1809; m. ——— Thomas.
- 493. JULIA, b. 1811; m. William Mills.

199 Thomas Cutts born 1776; married, 1813, Eunice Cutts, daughter of Richard and Sarah (Frost) Cutts and died, 1845, at Baltimore, Md. (see 236).

Children :

- 494. WESTWORTH, m. Ann Mary Curtis.

201 Margery Pepperrell Cutts born Feb. 14, 1784; married Mar. 6, 1807, Mark Furnald, who died 1831. She died in 1864.

Children :

- 495. WILLIAM CUTTS, m. Oct. 1, 1835, Jane Tibbetts.
- 496. JAMES MADISON, b. Apr. 23, 1809; d. 1809.
- 497. HIRAM, b. May 16, 1811; m., 1836, Maria Childs; d. 1870.

498. SAMUEL, b. Apr. 25, 1813; m. Lavinia Wherreu; d. Oct. 15, 1886.
 499. ELIZABETH, b. Apr. 29, 1815; m., 1838, E. Hammond.
 500. ROBERT CUTTS, b. June 4, 1817; m. Caroline Nowell.
 501. MARK, b. Aug. 10, 1820; m., 1842, Julia Hanson; d. Nov. 16, 1868.
 502. JOHN, b. Oct. 7, 1822; m., 1846, Mary A. Paul.
 503. MARY, b. Jan. 8, 1825; m., 1854, Moses Hammond.
 504. MARGERY PEPPERRELL CUTTS, b. July 23, 1827; m., 1850, William A. Fernald; d. Feb. 26, 1892.

209 John Newmarch Frost born Oct. 19, 1802; married Dec. 27, 1824, at Rye, N. H., Emeline Seavey. He died April 26, 1874.

Children, born at Portsmouth, N. H., except the last two who were born at Newcastle, N. H.:

505. WILLIAM SEAVEY, b. June 25, 1830; m. Feb. 27, 1863, Ann Elizabeth Warner.
 506. SUSAN GRAFTON PRESCOTT, b. Dec. 16, 1832; m. Aug. 3, 1854, Lewis Tarlton.
 507. JOHN NEWMARCH, b. May 25, 1834; m. Jan. 27, 1864, Thresa Lunt.
 508. BENJAMIN PRESCOTT, b. Apr. 1, 1836; d. July 25, 1858, at Gonaives, Hayti.
 509. JAMES, b. Feb. 19, 1838; d. Feb., 1839, at Portsmouth, N. H.
 510. THERESA BROWN, b. Nov. 3, 1840; m. Mar. 24, 1862, Robert Henderson.
 511. CARRIE LANGDON, b. May 1, 1842; d. Sept. 25, 1861, at Portsmouth, N. H.

219 Joseph Frost born Dec. 25, 1762; married Mary Shapleigh, who was born Nov. 9, 1770 and died Oct. 5, 1808. He served as Major and Sheriff and died Jan. 8, 1811.

Children:

512. JOHN, b. July 11, 1789; d. Oct. 5, 1795.
 513. JOSEPH, b. May 17, 1791; m. Dorcas M. Bartlett.
 514. MARY J., b. Mar. 3, 1793; m. Jos. Paul of York; d. Feb. 9, 1844.
 515. DEPENDANCE, b. Dec. 31, 1795; m. Jemima Goodwin.
 516. SARAH, b. Aug. 31, 1803; m. Jos. Hammond.

221 Sarah Frost born Feb. 23, 1768; married Captain John Swett, and died March 10, 1828.

Children :

- 517. NANCY, b. Oct. 24, 1786; d. unm.
- 518. MARY, b. Oct. 2, 1788; m. Stephen Raynes.
- 519. JOHN, b. July 3, 1790; d. unm.
- 520. JOSEPH, b. Aug. 3, 1792; m. Miss Bragdon.
- 521. GEORGE, b. June 5, 1794; d. young.
- 522. HANNAH, b. May 3, 1796; m. Arthur Cox.

225 Nathaniel Frost born Jan. 22, 1774 and died Oct. 21, 1817. He married June 28, 1793, Abigail Kimball of Kennebunk, who was born there July 23, 1772, and died at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 11, 1849, at the residence of her son John Frost, LL.D.

Children :

- 523. A SON, b. Mar. 10, 1799; d. young.
- 524. JOHN, b. Jan. 26, 1800.
- 525. NATHANIEL, b. Apr. 14, 1802; d. Aug. 29, 1803.
- 526. SARAH EL., b. Apr. 1, 1804.
- 527. MARY ANN, b. Mar. 28, 1806; m. Nov. 30, 1826, Henry Dorr, of Keene, N. H.
- 528. NATHANIEL, b. June 11, 1808; chaplain in U. S. Navy.
- 529. ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 2, 1811; d. Feb. 18, 1816.
- 530. CYRUS KING, b. Jan. 27, 1814; m. June 20, 1843, Eliza Raney; d. July 26, 1847.

226 George Frost born Oct. 23, 1778; married Sarah Bartlett. He was a farmer at Hollis, N. H., then an innkeeper at Alfred, Me., and then steward of the privateer ship Portsmouth in the War of 1812. Is supposed to have foundered at sea in 1814. His wife died at South Berwick in 1848.

Children :

- 531. JOHN.
- 532. DORCAS.
- 533. CHARLES.
- 534. ELIZABETH.

227 Timothy Frost born Dec. 3, 1779; married July 14, 1806, Susan Coffin. She was born July 8, 1783. He was commissioned Major and Justice of the Peace.

Children:

- 535. MARY, b. July 7, 1807; m. Sam'l Tenney.
- 536. ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 27, 1809; m. Oct. 28, 1832, Capt. William Lane.

537. SUSAN, b. Jan. 19, 1812; d. unm., June 1, 1837.

538. EDWIN, b. Apr. 27, 1814.

539. WILLIAM, b. May 8, 1817; d. Feb. 14, 1835.

540. CAROLINE, b. Apr. 23, 1819.

228 William Frost, M.D., born Aug. 3, 1781; married Mar. 28, 1805, Elizabeth Walker, daughter of Richard and Sarah Sayward (Barrell) Keating, a descendant of several of the oldest families in York and Eliot, Maine. She died May 23, 1811, in Cuba, where her husband died May 7, 1823.

Child:

541. SARAH WOOD, b. Dec. 4, 1806; m. Nov. 12, 1827, Stephen Morton; d. Apr. 4, 1870.

229 Mercy Prescott Frost born Apr. 10, 1784; married Edmund Kimball, who died early. She died Sept., 1823.

Child:

542. WILLIAM; d. aged 17 years.

230 Joseph Cutts born July 5, 1764; married Apr. 10, 1790, Mary, daughter of Charles and Joanna Cutts (Gerrish) Chauncy, of Kittery, Me. He died July 3, 1861.

Children:

543. SARAH CHAUNCY, b. Feb., 1791; d. unm., July 1, 1874.

544. MARY CHAUNCY, b. 1792; d. Oct., 1795.

545. JOSEPH, b. 1795; d. unm., Sept., 1839; lieutenant.

546. CHARLES ROBERT, b. 1805; d. unm., April 5, 1869.

547. ISAAC, b. 1808; d. 1809.

231 Richard Cutts born Nov. 25, 1765; married, 1814, Joanna, daughter of Daniel and Jane Gerrish Raynes.

Children:

548. MARY JOANNA, b. 1822; m. Feb. 29, 1852, William Cutts; d. 1873.

549. LUCY JANE, b. 1825; m. Aug. 25, 1865, John A. Lawrence (who d. Aug. 29, 1874); d. May 1, 1882, *s. p.*

550. EASTMAN, b. 1827; m. Nov. 26, 1866, Louisa Eastman; d. July 2, 1869.

232 Sarah Cutts born Aug. 31, 1767; married Nov. 29, 1786, Capt. Daniel Bartlett.

Children :

- 551. RICHARD, b. 1787; m. ———; d. in Alabama.
- 552. NATHANIEL, b. 1788; d. young.
- 553. DORCAS CUTTS, b. Nov. 10, 1789; m. Nov. 19, 1811, Joseph Frost; d. July 20, 1828.
- 554. DANIEL, b. Dec. 9, 1791; m. Mary Veaton; d. Mar. 27, 1872.
- 555. WILLIAM, b. Nov. 29, 1793; m., 1817, Hannah Neal; d. July 9, 1852.
- 556. JOSEPH, b. Mar. 16, 1800; m. Oct. 25, 1830, Mary Poole; d. May 25, 1885.
- 557. OLIVER, b. Mar. 15, 1802; d. unnl., Dec. 26, 1876, at Natick, Mass.
- 558. THOMAS CUTTS, b. May 1, 1805; m., 1828, Anne Dounell.
- 559. GEORGE CHARLES, b. June 15, 1807; m. May, 1841, Hannah Elkins; d. Mar., 1876.
- 560. MARY JOANNA, b. Mar. 2, 1809; m. Nov. 29, 1831, Daniel Pierce; d. Jan. 7, 1880.

237 Elizabeth Cutts born 1782; married July 8, 1813, Francis, son of Daniel and Jane (Gerrish) Raynes, who died Nov. 5, 1873.

Children :

- 561. RICHARD CUTTS, b. Aug. 11, 1814; m. 1st, Nov. 5, 1839, Charlotte D. Page; m. 2d, May 25, 1863, Emily Payne; d. Aug. 10, 1880.
- 562. WILLIAM, b. Feb. 13, 1818; m. April 5, 1852, Mercy A. Shaw.
- 563. FRANCIS, b. Jan. 26, 1821; m. 1st, Feb. 24, 1850, Harriet Hanscom; m. 2d, Oct. 27, 1857, Esther Wadsworth.

242 John Leighton born Oct. 18, 1768; married, 1795, Sarah, daughter of William and Abigail Frost (Blunt) Parsons (313). He died June 14, 1854, at Lincoln, Me. He was representative from Shapleigh, Me., in 1809, to the General Court at Boston. He visited Europe twice on business, and travelled extensively in England and Scotland.

Children :

- 564. SAMUEL, b. Nov. 27, 1796; d. Dec. 3, 1797.
- 565. ABIGAIL, b. Feb., 1799; m. Capt. B. Fox; d. Dec. 24, 1855.
- 566. SARAH PARSONS, b. Nov. 24, 1800; d. Mar. 25, 1881, at Lincoln, Me.

567. JOHN, b. Mar. 4, 1802; m. — Godfrey; d. Nov. 10, 1884.
 568. ELIZA, b. Aug. 11, 1804; m. Thomas F. Hall.
 569. WILLIAM PARSONS, b. July 18, 1810, at Lincoln, Me.

243 Mary Leighton born Jan. 8, 1770, at Kittery, Me.; died May 30, 1853, at the residence of her son, Joseph Jordan, at Passadunkeng, Me. She married Jan. 22, 1789, Joseph, third son of Judge Rishworth Jordan of Biddeford, Me., who was born Feb. 7, 1759 and died March 2, 1820, at Hollis, Me.

Children :

570. SAMUEL, b. Jan. 31, 1791; m. Abigail Webster; d. Sept., 1840.
 571. RISHWORTH, b. June 27, 1796; m. Louisa Hailey; d. June 27, 1871.
 572. ELIZABETH, b. March 20, 1798; d. unm.
 573. JOSEPH, b. Jan. 26, 1802; d. unm.
 574. TRISTRAM FROST, b. Sept. 30, 1804; m., 1831, — Kimball.
 575. MARY A., b. Jan. 5, 1807; m., 1827, W. P. Baker; d. 1876.
 576. JANE SHANNON, b. Jan. 8, 1816; m., 1835, J. W. Hight.

244 Samuel Leighton born May 25, 1771, at Kittery, Me.; married Dec., 1799, Frances Usher, daughter of William Parsons (316), of Alfred, Me. He was representative to the General Court in Boston, in 1809; Justice of the Peace thirty-five years and appointed Judge of the Court of Sessions for York Co. in 1820. Active in military affairs, he was appointed ensign (by Gov. John Hancock), Aug. 20, 1792; colonel in 1800 and brigadier-general in June, 1813. He died October, 1848. His widow died Sept. 18, 1865, aged 87, at Pittsfield, N. H., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Emerson.

Children :

577. JOHN, b. Oct. 7, 1800; d. Oct. 21, 1821.
 578. FRANCES, b. Dec. 21, 1801; m. Benjamin Emerson.
 579. SAMUEL, b. Oct. 18, 1803; d. Feb. 14, 1844.
 580. WM. PARSONS, b. Dec. 31, 1804; m., 1828, — Van Houten; d. Mar., 1829.
 581. MARY, b. Aug. 27, 1806; m., 1839, J. H. Burney; s. p.
 582. ONER, b. Feb. 19, 1808; d. Dec. 30, 1810.
 583. USHER PARSONS (M.D.), b. Mar. 16, 1810; m. Jan. 19, 1840, Ellen Houser.

584. ONER, b. July 2, 1812; m. William Jones, M.D.; d. May 31, 1871.
 585. ANN BELL, b. Mar. 1, 1814; d. Apr. 11, 1843.
 586. GEO. FROST BLUNT, b. July 21, 1816; m., 1849, Emily H. Glidden, *s. p.*

245 Abigail Leighton born Nov. 19, 1772; married Jan. 10, 1793, Timothy, son of Rev. Samuel Lancton, of York, Maine.

Children :

587. SAMUEL LEIGHTON.
 588. HANNAH.

246 Sarah Frost Leighton born May 25, 1774; married Feb. 1, 1795, Joshua Bragdon of Wells, Maine, and died Oct. 22, 1869.

Children :

589. ELIZABETH P., b. June 6, 1796; d. April, 1861.
 590. GEORGE, b. July 8, 1798; d. Feb. 17, 1823.
 591. SAMUEL LEIGHTON, b. July 21, 1800; m. Sept., 1827, Mary A. Pope.
 592. OLIVER, b. Sept. 3, 1802; d. Dec. 2, 1820.
 593. JOSHUA, b. June 5, 1806; d. Jan. 21, 1875.
 594. JOSEPH, b. Dec. 1, 1808; d. Jan. 31, 1831.
 595. MARY J., b. Mar. 1, 1812; m. Jan., 1838, Captain Winn; d. Aug. 3, 1846.
 596. CLARA P., b. May 2, 1817; m. Apr. 9, 1840, Israel Kimball.

248 Jane Leighton born June 25, 1779, at Kittery; married June, 1799, Peletiah Ricker who died Dec. 14, 1842. She died Oct., 1870, at Parsonsfield, Me.

Children :

597. MARY, b. Apr. 20, 1802; m. John H. Ricker.
 598. ABIGAIL F., b. July 21, 1804; m. George Hilton.
 599. JULIA ANN, b. Feb. 12, 1806; m. Hiram N. Tripp.
 600. SAMUEL LEIGHTON, b. Dec. 18, 1808; m. Apr. 26, 1846, Eliz. Wentworth.
 601. BETSEY H., d. June 9, 1831.

250 Hannah Leighton born Dec. 7, 1783; married, 1809, Major William McIntyre of York, Me., who died Dec. 13, 1859.

Children :

602. MATILDA, b. Dec. 12, 1810; m. Nov. 14, 1833 Charles Keyes.
 603. SYLVESTER, b. June 26, 1812; m. Nov., 1843, Rhoda McIntyre.
 604. WILLIAM B., b. June 25, 1814; d. Nov., 1850.
 605. SOPHIA J., b. Mar. 9, 1816; m. Charles Came: d. Sept. 19, 1857.
 606. JOHN B., b. May 12, 1818; d. Sept. 20, 1873.
 607. RHODA L., b. Aug. 20, 1820; m. J. Came: d. Dec. 23, 1858.
 608. EVELINE, b. 1822; m. Jeremiah Paul.
 609. HARRIET, b. Oct. 16, 1824; m. Amos McIntyre.
 610. OLIVER B., b. Jan. 10, 1827; d. Jan. 3, 1850.

296 Elizabeth Slade Blunt married Sept. 23, 1802, Capt. Samuel Goodhue, who was born at Newburyport, Mass., Nov. 22, 1773, and died at Baring, Me., 1841.*

Children :

611. RICHARD EVANS, b. June 20, 1803.
 612. SAMUEL, b. Apr. 24, 1805.
 613. MARTHA ANN, b. Feb. 10, 1807.
 614. ELIZABETH, b. Apr. 3, 1811.
 615. SUSAN ADAMS, b. May 11, 1815.

303 Robert Whipple Blunt born July 5, 1763; married Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Lear) Sherburne.†

Children :

616. ELEANOR, m. William L. Thompson.
 617. SALLY, m. William Chase, Esq.
 618. ELIZA, d. unm.
 619. FRANCES, m. Capt. James Kennard.
 620. MARY LEAR, m. George Washington Storer, U. S. N.

323 Elizabeth Wentworth born Aug. 9, 1774; married June 1, 1800, Hon. Daniel Meserve Durell of Dover, who was born July 20, 1769 at, Lee, N. H.; graduated at Dartmouth College in 1794 and commenced practising law at Dover, N. H., in 1797. He was Representative in Congress, 1807-1809; Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, 1816-1821, and U. S. Dist.

* Goodhue Genealogy, page 60.

† Penhallow Genealogy, pp. 18-19.

Attorney under President Jackson. He died April 29, 1841, at Dover, N. H.

Children :

- 621. MARY JANE, b. Feb. 24, 1801; d. unm., Feb., 1864.
- 622. SARAH ADELINE, b. Apr. 19, 1802; m. Nov. 3, 1825, Rev. Jas. D. Green; d. 1866.
- 623. ELIZABETH SALTER, b. Oct. 23, 1803.
- 624. NICHOLAS ST. JOHN, b. Sept. 7, 1805; d. June 9, 1826; U. S. Military Academy.
- 625. CHARLES JAMES FOX, b. Apr. 28, 1807; d. Aug. 5, 1840, at Dover.
- 626. MARGARET ANN, b. July 14, 1810.
- 627. EDWARD HENRY, b. July 14, 1810; m. Mary Gebbard; Harvard College, 1831.
- 628. GEO. CLINTON, b. Nov. 7, 1814; d. July, 1838, in Texas.

326 Dorothy Frost Wentworth born June 24, 1779; married Jan. 10, 1815, Hon. John Harvey (his second wife), of Northwood, N. H. He was selectman twenty-one years, representative four years, senator, Judge of Court of Common Pleas, Chief Justice of Court of Sessions and Judge of Probate of Rockingham Co. twelve years.

Children :

- 629. MARGARET ANN, b. Nov. 8, 1815; m. S. C. Buzell.
- 630. DOLLY WENTWORTH, b. May 7, 1817; m. Feb. 27, 1838, James A. Treat.

327 Paul Wentworth born April 22, 1782, at Dover, N. H. In 1795, he was in the Academy at Exeter. Appointed by President Jefferson in 1808, captain in 4th U. S. Infantry, he was stationed at Fort Constitution, New Castle, N. H. In 1811, he was ordered to take his company to the Western frontier, where General Harrison was in command, which he did, and then resigned Oct. 29, 1811, to go into mercantile pursuits.

He married March 30, 1814, Lydia, daughter of Colonel Amos and Lydia Coggs-well, who was born at Dover, May 30, 1793. He followed farming and a merchant's life for many years. He was also moderator, selectman, representative and Justice of the Peace.

He died Aug. 31, 1855, and was buried at Concord, N. H. His widow died Aug. 24, 1872, at Concord.

Children :

- 631. JOHN, b. Mar. 5, 1815; m. Nov. 13, 1844, Roxanna Loomis; Dartmouth College, 1836.
- 632. LYDIA C., b. July 21, 1816; m. Jan. 14, 1846, Rev. Samuel Lee; d. Mar. 6, 1855.
- 633. JOSEPH, b. Jan. 30, 1818; m. May 7, 1845, Sarah P. Jones.
- 634. GEORGE WALLINGFORD, b. Nov. 2, 1820; d. Aug. 14, 1850; M.D., 1847.
- 635. MARY FRANCES, b. Mar. 19, 1822; m. May 19, 1844, Rev. William H. Porter.
- 636. MARGARET JANE, b. May 19, 1825; m. Sept. 17, 1851, David L. Morrill.
- 637. ABIGAIL C., b. Feb. 6, 1827; d. Aug. 8, 1828.
- 638. WILLIAM BADGER, b. Jan. 14, 1830; d. July 28, 1848.
- 639. SAMUEL HIDDEN, b. July 16, 1834; Harvard College, 1858.

329 Miriam Frost born June 15, 1789; married Jan. 30, 1824, John Cloutman.*

Children :

- 640. JOSEPH FROST, b. May 3, 1825.
- 641. J. A. T., b. Sept. 1, 1826.
- 642. A. V. T., b. Aug. 5, 1828; d. Nov. 9, 1844.
- 643. SARAH A., b. Aug. 24, 1830.
- 644. MIRIAM F., b. Dec. 16, 1832.
- 645. FRANCES E. F., b. Jan. 16, 1835.

331 Margaret Frost born Feb. 15, 1772; married Apr. 20, 1797, Capt. Samuel Greenough; died Nov. 20, 1799.

Child :

- 646. MARGARET, m. Henry Frost.

333 George Pitts Frost born Apr. 10, 1775; married Dec. 18, 1797, Mehitable, daughter of Capt. Robert White of New Castle. She died Mar. 6, 1848.

Children :

- 647. HENRY, b. Feb. 27, 1798; m. Sept. 15, 1827, Margaret Greenough.
- 648. MEHITABLE, b. Sept. 10, 1800; d. July 16, 1814.
- 649. GEORGE P., b. June 24, 1803; m., 1826, Harriet Willey.

* Frost Genealogy, p. 25.

- 650. THEODORE W., b. Nov. 20, 1805; m. Eliza Priest.
- 651. ABIGAIL, b. June 1, 1808; m. George Vennard.
- 652. MARGARET, b. Jan. 21, 1811; d. young.
- 653. SARAH A. S., b. Sept. 11, 1812; d. Feb. 14, 1828.
- 654. MELITABLE M., b. June 23, 1815; d. May 16, 1840.
- 655. EVELINE, b. June 23, 1818; m. Capt. Jno. Klineur.
- 656. WILLIAM B. S., b. May 23, 1821; m. Ann Kimball.

345 Mary Chase born Nov. 15, 1776; married June 22, 1799, Edmund Toppan of Portsmouth, N. H. (born Sept. 25, 1777; died July 29, 1849), a son of Christopher and Sarah (Parker) Toppan. Mrs. Mary (Chase) Toppan died Dec. 2, 1857. Edmund Toppan graduated from Harvard University in 1796; practised law at Portsmouth in 1799; removed to Deerfield in 1800 and Hampton in 1803. He was a representative in the State Legislature, 1809-18-22-26; selectman, 1808, and postmaster of Hampton a number of years.

Children:

- 658. CHRISTOPHER STEPHEN, b. June 16, 1800; m. Apr. 10, 1827, Ann E. Slater; d. Oct. 3, 1861, *s. p.*
- 659. ELIZABETH GRAFTON, b. July 27, 1802; d. Mar. 17, 1835.
- 660. MARY CHASE, b. Mar. 17, 1804.
- 661. EDMUND WILLOUGHBY, b. Sept. 14, 1808; m. Mar., 1832, Abigail M. Pickering; d. 1846.
- 662. SARAH JANE, b. Aug. 27, 1810; d. Feb. 17, 1816.
- 663. SARAH JANE PARKER, b. Sept. 7, 1812; m. Sept. 16, 1851, Rev. S. J. Spalding.

346 Harriet Chase born Aug. 14, 1778; married Oliver Crosby of Dover, N. H., counsellor.

Children:

- 664. HARRIET, m. ——— Morrill.
- 665. OLIVER.
- 666. CORNELIA, m. Dr. Barrett.
- 667. WILLIAM.
- 668. HENRIETTA.
- 669. JOSIAH.

347 Sarah Chase born Oct. 23, 1780; married J. H. Woodman of Rochester, N. H. (born, 1774; died, 1854; counsellor; Dartmouth College, 1794).

Children :

670. CHARLES WILLIAM, m. 1st, 1840, Charlotte Pearce; m. 2nd, 1866, Frances J. Soren; Dartmouth College, 1829.
 671. SARAH JANE, m. Judge Tibbetts.
 672. JEREMIAH H.
 673. HARRIET.
 674. CHARLOTTE.
 675. THEODORE CHASE, b. Apr. 10, 1815; m. Aug. 16, 1843, Jane Darling; Dartmouth College, 1835.
 676. SAMUEL.

348 Theodore Chase born Mar. 16, 1786; married April 26, 1831, Clarissa Andrews Bigelow of Watertown, Mass., and lived in Portsmouth and Boston.

Children :

677. THEODORE, b. Feb. 4, 1832; m. Nov. 17, 1868, Alice Bowdoin Bradlee; Harvard College, 1853.
 678. GEORGE BIGELOW, b. Oct. 1, 1835; m. Jan. 10, 1860, Ann Lowndes; Harvard College, 1856.
 679. CHARLES HENRY, b. Mar. 5, 1841; d. Feb. 27, 1849.

349 Benjamin Salter married his cousin Harriet Tibbetts (see 355).

Child :

680. WILLIAM TIBBETTS, lives in New York.

349a Maria Jane Salter, daughter of (102), married Samuel Cushman.

Children :

681. JOHN, b. Dec. 22, 1813; drowned, June 22, 1825.
 682. GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Mar. 18, 1815; drowned June 22, 1825.
 683. ELIZABETH SALTER, b. Jan. 17, 1817; m. James Henderson Haven.
 684. CHARLES BLOOMFIELD, b. Nov. 17, 1818; d. Jan. 28, 1823.
 685. NATHAN PARKER, b. Aug. 1, 1820; d. Feb. 12, 1823.
 686. SAMUEL HENRY, b. Apr. 5, 1822; captain of the Brig Molly Stark.
 687. CHARLES PARKER, b. Apr. 16, 1824; d. Dec. 26, 1824.
 688. WILLIAM SALTER, b. Dec. 1, 1825; frozen to death near Salt Lake City, Utah.
 689. MARIA JANE, b. Sept. 15, 1827; d. same day.

690. MARIA JANE, b. Aug. 24, 1829; now living at Concord, Mass.
 691. CHARLES CARROLL, b. Sept. 9, 1831; d. at Buda, Ill.
 692. CAROLINE FRANCIS, b. Aug. 21, 1833; m. Mar. 18, 1851, Lucius A. Ellis.

351 William Frost Salter born Jan. 25, 1787; married Sept. 30, 1817, Mary Ewen of Portsmouth, N. H. She was born July 15, 1787 and died April 2, 1851. He died Sept. 25, 1849, in New York city.

Children:

693. BENJAMIN, b. Sept. 4, 1818; m. Nov. 25, 1846, Elleanor Bolton; d. Oct. 25, 1873.
 694. MARY ELIZABETH, b. May 18, 1820.
 695. WILLIAM, b. Nov. 17, 1821; m. Aug. 25, 1846, Mary A. Mackintire.
 696. FRANCES MARIA, b. May 21, 1823; m. Oct. 11, 1866, W. D. Jenkins; d. Apr. 8, 1888.
 697. JOHN EWEN, b. Jan. 27, 1825.
 698. CHARLES, b. Apr. 30, 1827.

357 Dorothy Clifford Bell born Feb. 7, 1773; married Oct. 5, 1793, Capt. George Vennard, who was born 1773, and died May 10, 1836, at New Castle, N. H. She died Aug. 3, 1855.

Children:

699. MARY, d. aged 32 years.
 700. WILLIAM CLIFFORD, b. July, 1796; d. Jan. 11, 1867.
 701. MATHEW BELL, m. Sept. 26, 1821, Sarah E. Mullin.
 702. SAMUEL, d. unm., in the West Indies, aged 24.
 703. DOROTHY CLIFFORD.
 704. GEORGE, d. young.
 705. GEORGE, b. Feb. 10, 1807; m. Abigail A. Frost.
 706. HENRY T., b. 1812; m. 1842, Eliza J. Wilson; d. Feb. 3, 1893.
 707. ANDREW WATKINS, b. Dec. 8, 1813; m. Apr. 7, 1836, Ariadne Locke.
 708. OLIVE BELL, b. 1814; m. May 5, 1838, Jas. L. Baker.
 709. JOHN CLIFFORD, b. 1816; m. Elizabeth Brown.
 710. NANCY WATKINS BELL, b. 1820.

358 Mary Bell born Aug. 7, 1774; married May 14, 1797, Joseph Andrews of Salem, Mass., who was born July 1, 1773 and died Aug. 13, 1822. She died Mar. 12, 1856.

Children :

- 711. DANIEL, b. Mar. 31, 1798; d. Mar., 1879.
- 712. ELIZA, b. Apr. 11, 1800; d. May, 1876.
- 713. JOHN, b. Sept. 15, 1801; d. at sea.
- 714. JOSEPH, b. Jan. 4, 1803; d. Oct. 15, 1803.
- 715. MARY JANE, b. July 16, 1804; d. April, 1829.
- 716. DOLLY ANN W., b. Sept. 23, 1806; d. April, 1877.
- 717. JOSEPH, b. Dec. 10, 1808; m. 1st. Elizabeth Sprague; m., 2nd Judith Walker.

359 Andrew Watkins Bell born Feb. 10, 1776; married Jan. 24, 1799, Martha Tredick, who was born June 7, 1782 and died Apr. 6, 1813. He married, second, Dec. 2, 1813, Elizabeth Bennett Manning, who was born May 10, 1783 and died Jan. 26, 1826. He died Sept. 7, 1841.

Children, by first wife :

- 718. WILLIAM TREDICK, b. May 11, 1800; d. May 2, 1829.
- 719. ANDREW W., b. Dec. 27, 1802; m., 1829, Sophia A. Ladd.
- 720. MATHEW, b. June 17, 1805; d. Nov. 27, 1817.
- 721. ELIZA JANE, b. Feb. 13, 1807; m. Daniel French; d. Jan. 25, 1881, *s. p.*

Children, by second wife :

- 722. JAMES LAWRENCE, b. Sept. 18, 1814; d. Oct. 10, 1839.
- 723. MARTHA ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 13, 1816; m. Aug. 15, 1837, Jas. W. Emery.
- 724. CAROLINE MANNING, b. Oct. 19, 1817; d. May 22, 1842.
- 725. ALICE CHRISTINE, b. July 16, 1820; m. Nov., 1847, Jno. Babcock; d. 1884.
- 726. OCTAVIA AUGUSTA, b. June 2, 1822; d. July 27, 1848.
- 727. THOS. MANNING, b. Oct. 19, 1823; d. June 26, 1849.

360 Jane Watkins Bell born July 3, 1778; married May 27, 1798, Capt. Ephraim Amazeen.

Children :

- 728. WILLIAM, m. an English lady.
- 729. MARIA, d. unm.
- 730. BENJAMIN, d. unm.
- 731. MARTHA, m., 1st. Wm. Trefethern; m., 2nd, Wm. Marvin.
- 732. SAMUEL, m. Lucinda Frost, *s. p.*
- 733. ABIGAIL, m. Robert Trefethern.
- 734. ANDREW, d. young.
- 735. ROBERT W., m. Ann Hickey.
- 736. HARRIET.

361 Abigail Long Bell born April 17, 1780; married, first, April 20, 1799, Capt. John Neal, jr. of New Castle, N. H.; second, John Yeaton; third, — Hammond, and died June 11, 1827.

Children, by first husband :

737. ANN, m. Ezekiel Hayes.

738. MARY, m. Joseph Walton of Portsmouth, N. H.

Children, by second husband :

739. JOHN, m. Mary Frost.

740. RICHARD.

741. EVELINE.

742. ALEXANDER.

Child, by third husband :

743. JOSEPH.

363 Mehitable Burleigh Bell born Mar. 25, 1785, married Alexander Nief.

Children :

744. ADALINE AUGUSTA, b. Oct. 24, 1806; m. Aug., 1880, W. S. Dainrell; d. at Jamaica Plain, Mass.

745. NANCY WATKINS, b. Oct. 24, 1811; m. S. W. Mudge; d. Sept., 1897.

746. ANDREW, d. at sea; buried on Staten Island, N. Y.

747. MARY JANE, b. June 19, 1818; m. May 5, 1839, John Teague.

748. MARTHA ELIZABETH, b. Apr. 21, 1820.

364 Olive Bell born June 24, 1787; married — Gray of Barrington, N. H.

Children :

749. JOSEPH.

750. ELIZA, m. — Hodgdon.

751. JAMES.

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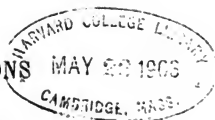


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[On the reverse are engraved these words:]

THE GIFT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY
To Benjamin Pickman, Esqr.

1749.

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THE PICKMAN SILVER,

DEPOSITED WITH THE ESSEX INSTITUTE, DECEMBER, 1902.

On November 29, 1902, the Institute received the following communication :

[STATE SEAL] *Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*
Executive Department,
Boston, Nov. 28, 1902.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE ESSEX INSTITUTE,
SALEM, MASS.

DEAR SIR:—

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has recently received from the Administratrix of the estate of H. Derby Pickman, M.D., of Pontiac, Mich., two pieces of silver—the original "Monteith" and the "New England Guard Pitcher"—which were bequeathed to the State of Massachusetts with the request that they shall be kept in a conspicuous place. It has been suggested by one of the heirs that they be deposited in the Essex Institute with other articles that at one time belonged to the Pickman family.

I am requested by the Governor and Council to ascertain if it will be agreeable to your Institute to receive the articles above named.

Very truly yours,

E. F. HAMLIN,

Executive Secretary.

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On December 1, 1902, an acknowledgment and reply was made, reciting the above, and adding these words:

"In behalf of the Essex Institute I desire to say that it will be entirely agreeable to us to receive the pieces of silver described by you, and that, if so deposited, we shall endeavor in every way to conform to the expressed wishes of the donor.

"I am, very respectfully yours,

ROBERT S. RANTOUL."

The Executive Council met on Wednesday, December 3rd, and took action as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
COUNCIL CHAMBER,
BOSTON, DEC. 3, 1902.

ORDERED: That the two pieces of silver — the original MONTEITH and the NEW ENGLAND GUARD PITCHER — which have been bequeathed to the State of Massachusetts by the late H. Derby Pickman, M.D., of Pontiac, Michigan, be deposited in the Essex Institute, Salem, Mass., with other articles that at one time belonged to the Pickman family.

ADOPTED IN COUNCIL,
DEC. 3, 1902.

E. F. HAMLIN,
Executive Secretary.

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Essex Institute, held December 8, 1902, the two pieces of silver received from the Commonwealth were exhibited, and a communication was submitted by the President recommending the passage of the following vote, which was adopted and duly transmitted:

"Voted: That the Essex Institute assumes with pleasure the custody of two pieces of silver plate bequeathed by the late Dr. Hasket Derby Pickman, of Pontiac, Michigan, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and believes the Institute Museum of Antiquities to have been well chosen as the depository of these interesting relics, the Pickman family having been, since 1661, conspicuously identified with Salem and Essex County; the Benjamin Pickman



BENJAMIN TOPPAN PICKMAN (1763-1843). SECOND PRESIDENT
OF THE ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

From a portrait belonging to the Essex Institute.

who was the fifth signer of the roll of founders of the Essex Historical Society, and its President for the years 1829-35,—a corporation to whose Charter and functions the Essex Institute succeeded,—having been the son of the Benjamin Pickman who was honored with this noble gift from the Province, and the father of the other Benjamin, who received, in 1819, the New England Guard Pitcher."

These votes contain inaccuracies, but they are not of special importance. Dr. Hersey [not Hasket] Derby Pickman, the testator, never lived at Pontiac, Michigan. The President of the Essex Historical Society was the recipient of the New England Guard Pitcher and the grandson of the first named Benjamin. The piece of silver plate, described as "the original Monteith," cannot be so described with accuracy, if the authority of the best modern dictionaries is to be accepted. This heirloom has been repeatedly named in the wills and inventories of several generations of the Pickman family as a "monteith" or "montiff." The New Century Dictionary, in accord with other authorities and with technical works on plate, gives this definition, adding a picture of the "monteith." "A large punch-bowl of the eighteenth century, usually of silver and with a movable rim, and decorated with flutings and a scalloped edge. It was also used for cooling and carrying wine-glasses. . . ."

"New things produce new words, and thus Monteith

"Has by one Vessel sav'd his name from Death."

In response to its request, the Institute received from the State House, on December 11, copies of letters on file there relating to this gift, which are as follows :

199 Huron Street West,

PONTIAC, MICH., NOV. 14TH, 1902.

HIS EXCELLENCY W. MURRAY CRANE,

GOVERNOR OF MASS.

BOSTON, MASS.

DEAR SIR:—

I send, in your care, two pieces of silver, the original "Monteith" and "The New England Guard Pitcher," which were bequeathed by the late H. Derby Pickman,

M.D., "to the State of Massachusetts, with the request that they shall be kept in a conspicuous place."

Very truly yours,

PHILOMELE P. HOFFMAN,
Admx.

DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA,

Nov. 18th, 1902.

TO THE GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS,
BOSTON.

DEAR SIR,

It is the wish of the sisters of H. D. Pickman, deceased, that you kindly have the two pieces of silver sent you this week by Mrs. C. A. Hoffman of Pontiac, Michigan, placed in the Essex Institute at Salem, Massachusetts, with other articles that at one time belonged to the Pickman family.

If you should wish to communicate with the sisters mentioned above, their addresses are as follows: Mrs. James H. Robertson, 150 East 37th Street, New York; Mrs. Herbert Crosskill, Digby, N. S.; Mrs. George Lynch, Digby, N. S.

Yours respectfully,

I. E. G. LYNCH.

Subsequent correspondence between the Institute and members of the Pickman family, supplemented by further investigation, has developed the following facts:

150 East 37th Street,

MANHATTAN, N. Y.

TO THE HONORABLE R. S. RANTOUL.

DEAR SIR—

It has been brought to my notice that a mistake has been made, as to the residence of my Brother, the late Hersey Derby Pickman, who bequeathed the two pieces of silver to the State of Massachusetts.

Dr. Pickman was never a resident of Pontiac, Michigan; his Wife was a Pontiac woman & resided there at the time of her death. Dr. Pickman only lived in Michigan (at Marquette) a short time after he was graduated from Harvard Medical School. His whole life's work was in Montana, where he was at times a member of the Legislature,—Aide to the Governor of Montana, &, at

the time of his death & for some years previous, Surgeon General of Montana. His whole love of country was given to the two States his life had been passed in—Massachusetts first, and Montana next & last—& *Salem*, the dearest place on Earth to him.

I will not apologize for troubling you, feeling confident you will be glad to know these facts. I am so very pleased that the Silver has found a resting place in your Society!

With all good wishes to the Essex Institute

Very truly yours,

ANSTISS PICKMAN ROBERTSON.

December Thirteenth,

Nineteen hundred and Two.

DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA,
DECEMBER 15th 1902.

TO THE HON. R. S. RANTOUL.

MY DEAR SIR.

Your esteemed letter of the 11th inst. is before me, and I have much pleasure in replying to it.

I think the best way to tell you what little I know about the Monteith and the New England Guard pitcher will be to give you an abstract from my Grand-father Pickman's will, a copy of which I happen to possess. "I give to my said Son, Clark-Gayton, the piece of plate presented by the Province of Massachusetts Bay to my Grandfather in 1749, to be kept by the said Clark-Gayton during his life, and, at his decease, I order it to be given to such son of my said son, Francis Willoughby, as may reside in the United States, to be named and appointed in writing by the said Clark-Gayton." My Uncle Gayton's will was as follows: "Ninth—The 'Monteith,' so called, which I received from my Father, and which is now in the Boston Bank, I direct my Executor to deliver to such of the sons of my Brother Francis W. Pickman as this said Brother shall direct, provided said son shall be a citizen of the United States, and I give this direction because I cannot otherwise comply with the directions of my Father's will. And if the trustees under my Father's will shall not consider this direction a compliance with said directions, I then desire them to keep possession and

care of the same." My eldest brother, Benjamin Pickman, so named and appointed, was to possess the Monteith, and the executors' account shows his receipt for it.

My Brother Benjamin left a will of which I give you an abstract: "I give and bequeath to my brother, Hersey Derby Pickman, the silver Vase presented to our Ancestor, Benjamin Pickman, and known in our family as 'The Monteith' and also 'the silver pitcher presented to my Uncle, Benjamin T. Pickman, by the New England Guards.'" My brother, Hersey Derby Pickman, was at that time living in Dillon, Montana, and was Surgeon General of the Militia and one of the *Aides-de-camp* of the Governor, with the rank of Brigadier General. He did not live very long after the death of Benjamin, in 1893, and my husband, hearing of his failing health and hoping his native air might benefit him, asked him and his wife to come to us for a visit; they came in August and his death occurred here in the following January; it will be seven years ago in January. While here he made his will, and knowing that a *copy* of the Monteith had been made for Mr. Walcott, he gave the "original" Monteith and the New England Guards Pitcher to his wife during her life time, and at her death devised them to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He never lived in Pontiac, Michigan, but his wife's maiden home was there, and there she returned after disposing of her home in Dillon, Montana. She died in Pontiac at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Hoffman. Hence the mistake of publishing that these articles were left by Dr. Pickman "of Pontiac." Will you do me the favor of having that statement corrected in the records of the Institute?

The only time not accounted for, as to the whereabouts of these bits of silver, is the time which elapsed since my sister-in-law's death, more than three years ago—but I can make that clear. Mrs. Hoffman was in Europe when my sister died; her illness was very short, and she left no will; and I do not suppose Mrs. Hoffman knew the ultimate destination of these things, till it was told her by my son, who was Mrs. Pickman's trusted friend and adviser, and who knew her affairs as well as those of my brother. As soon as Mrs. Hoffman became aware of this,

she forwarded the bequest to the Governor of Massachusetts. The New England Guards pitcher came to my Father at the death of the widow of my Uncle, Benj. T. Pickman. And it was a gift from him to his eldest son, Benjamin, after his (my Father's) death. . . .

I remain, Yours very Sincerely

MARY PICKMAN LYNCH.

This beautiful memorial has now been traced in the Pickman family since its original presentation by the Province, until now it finds its way back again to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

We are unable to quote the language of the original gift from the Province, because the record of it has not been found. This is no surprise to the antiquarian delver. Papers of great value and importance are missing from our record offices,—town archives, probate and other court files and the like,—and the student who comes upon such a hiatus is by no means driven to resort to the suspicion of criminal carelessness, nor of intentional wrong-doing, in order to explain their absence. They may have passed out of their proper custody in a variety of ways to which nothing blameworthy has contributed. There is always the chance that the missing link may be recovered. To one who recalls the strange story of the Hutchinson Papers,—to anyone acquainted with the loose methods employed before our day in the custody of the Archives of the State, and the sad lack of method and purpose in the treatment of historical material in the newer parts of the country and even in many sections of New England to-day,—the total lack of value attributed in some minds to everything that savors of the past,—the disappearance of these records is by no means surprising. The second possessor of the "Monteith" was a Loyalist, and a refugee, and during the Revolutionary era some patriotic expurgator,—some emulator of Cromwell and his Ironsides,—may have made it a pious duty to expunge from the records all evidence of so compromising an occurrence. When public feeling runs very high, such irregularities are readily condoned. Hutchinson's library fed the fury of a mob. The Pepperrell silver had at this time passed into the hands of a Loyalist successor and

grandson, and was only saved to him by a strained construction of the Act of 1778, which conferred on local authorities some discretion in the matter of dealing with the families of the proscribed. The cart-load of plate which had been presented to the captor of Louisburg by the City of London, by Admiral Warren, and by other admirers, was taken to Boston under guard, and shipped to England in the midst of the Revolution.

Presentations of plate in recognition of public service have been so very rare in this community,—so few persons ever lived in New England who have been the recipients of such a compliment as this, or were able to leave such a memorial to their descendants, that it is due to the memory of Benjamin Pickman to put on record what may be learned of this unique occurrence. And it will be convenient to begin with a table of descent traced so far as this inquiry involves it. It is, briefly stated, as follows :

BENJAMIN, third son of Nathaniel, the immigrant from Bristol, England, and his wife, Tabitha, was baptized at Bristol, 1645, and came with his father to Salem, in 1654 or 1661. He married, July 27, 1667, Elizabeth, daughter of Captain Joseph Hardy of Salem, and by her had, January 30, 1671-2,

BENJAMIN, who married, first, . . . Hasket of Salem ; second, October 20, 1704, Abigail, daughter of Timothy Lindall of Salem, and by her had, January 28, 1708,

BENJAMIN, who married, October , 1731, Love Rawlins, daughter of Capt. John Rawlins of Boston, and by her had, November 7, 1740 (besides Clark-Gayton, born July 30, 1746),

BENJAMIN, who married, April 22, 1762, Mary Barton, daughter of Dr. Bezalel Toppan of Salem, and by her had, September 30, 1763,

BENJAMIN TOPPAN, who married, October 20, 1789, Anstiss, daughter of Elias Hasket Derby of Salem, and by her had,

BENJAMIN,

CLARK-GAYTON,

FRANCIS WILLOUGHBY.

The donor of these interesting memorials, Dr. Hersey Derby Pickman, M.D., was a son of Francis Willoughby Pickman. The latter was born at Salem, and returned

for a time with his family to his native place from Digby, Nova Scotia, in 1860, at that time occupying a residence in Winter Street. During the Civil War and the agitation incident to the introduction of Wenham Water, he made himself so acceptable as a citizen that he was elected to the Board of Aldermen for the years 1862, 1863 and 1866. Close by, in Pickman Street, lived one of his sons, who was an active member of the Salem School Board in 1862-4, was for some years the Rector of St. Peter's in Salem and was the founder of St. Peter's in Beverly. Another son was Benjamin, who, dying in 1893, bequeathed the silver to his brother Hersey, and this last was the testator through whose thoughtful liberality these relics have found their way back to Massachusetts.

Francis Willoughby Pickman was the son of Benjamin Toppan Pickman and Anstiss, a daughter of Elias Hasket Derby. The father, who was the recipient of the silver pitcher, now deposited with us, was a conspicuous personage in this neighborhood. He was born in Salem in 1763, and died here in 1843. His resignation from the command of the New England Guards in 1819, in order to become an aid to Governor Brooks, was the occasion of this presentation. He was graduated at Harvard in 1784, was of the Governor's Council in 1805, a member of Congress in 1809-11, and President of the Massachusetts Senate from 1833 until his death. At the formation of the Salem Light Infantry in 1805 he presented the corps with its first colors, and he was the third successive Benjamin Pickman who commanded the Essex Regiment. His mother, from whom he derived the name of Toppan, was a daughter of Barzillai or Bezalel Toppan, a prominent physician and an original proprietor in the North Bridge. Three of the series of seven Benjamins being on the stage at the time of his birth, the father of Benjamin Toppan Pickman had been known as Benjamin Pickman, jr., and the third Benjamin was given a middle name, but he did not always use it. His remains rest in the Broad Street Cemetery, under a simple obelisk of white marble, the graves of General Frederick West Lander and of the Honorable Henry Kemble Oliver one on either hand. Benjamin, jr., the

father of the last named, was the author of a valuable and much quoted historical account, printed by the Institute in 1864, and describing the houses which stood on our principal thoroughfares in 1793.

It was the father of Benjamin, jr., upon whom the Province of Massachusetts Bay conferred this very unusual honor. He had been chosen to the Assembly in 1744-5-6, and had become a member of the Committee for pushing forward the Cape Breton Campaign, and it was the service he performed in connection with it which won him the Monteith. In fact he may fairly be styled the father of the undertaking, for he was instant in season and out of season in urging the measure, and rendered it much financial aid, his subscription being second in amount to that of Pepperrell alone, and it only passed the House of Assembly by one vote. Of this his son, writing in 1793, says,—“for services performed in this business, the Province gave him a very handsome montiff.” The same chronicler adds that his father, the recipient of this honor, became a Councillor [this was in 1756-7-8] a Judge of the Superior Court in 1756, and the Chief Colonel of the Essex Regiment in 1762. He died in 1773 at the age of sixty-six. The importance of the Louisburg Expedition and its far reaching results are recognized by every historian of New England. On his return from the captured stronghold, Pepperrell, who was knighted for his success,—the first New England born Baronet of England,—[we have his full-length portrait presented, in 1821, by George Atkinson Ward,]—came by water to Boston in 1746, and made his triumphal progress home to Kittery through the intervening seaports. This was an experience repeated by the Naval Heroes of the War of 1812-15. He was feasted and flattered to the top of his bent, and Salem did her part in a dinner offered him in the little Town House of 1718, on July 4, 1746, at which Colonel Pickman presided, after having acted as chairman of the Committee which conducted at Boston the reception on the part of the Province.

The Cape Breton Expedition was almost wholly a fisherman's enterprise, supported with capital furnished by the fishing interest, and it was very largely a Salem enterprise, the first company raised, counting fifty



Benjamin Franklin

1708-1773

volunteers, having been raised at Salem. Col. Pickman's wealth, like a large share of the wealth of New England at that period, was derived from the fisheries, the great New England industry of the day, the basis of all our trade and commerce,—his fish-flakes lined the whole water-side of the North River back as far as the present Federal Street, from North Bridge to the Town Bridge in Blubber Hollow,—and the fisheries were threatened by French aggression, a fact which made the reduction of Louisburg, "the Dunkirk of America," the first of military necessities. The vigor and boldness of the undertaking were much applauded in the old World, and put American prowess, of which this was the first demonstration on so large a scale, on a substantial footing. Pepperrell, all whose wealth had been derived from the fisheries, was at once made a Baronet.

About the time of the reduction of Louisburg by Pepperrell and the allied fishing interest of New England, Col. Pickman had made conspicuous recognition of the source of his affluence, in building the fine mansion house, yet standing but much disfigured, opposite the head of St. Peter Street. Dating from 1750, a contemporary of the Cabot house, where Lafayette took tea in 1784, later the residence of Judge Endicott; of Colonel Turner's house, which was finally burned down, after years of public service as the "Mansion-House," in the great fire of 1859; and of the "King Hooper" house at Danvers, the residence of Governor Gage in 1774,—these were the first of the Mansard roofs in Salem,—the Pickman house was decorated with a panel on the rising of each stair in the stately hallway, bearing a codfish carved in wood and gilded, and these ornaments have only within a generation disappeared, some of them being built into a modern villa at Newport by a descendant of the founder. An account of Pepperrell's return, given in the Life of Pepperrell by Usher Parsons, well illustrates the spirit of the times:

When he arrived at the Castle in Boston Harbor, early in June, 1746, all the ships of war and town batteries saluted. Upon landing at Long Wharf, his Majesty's Council and the House of Representatives received the party and they were escorted by his Excellency's company of Cadets to the Council Chamber of the old State House, now the Rooms of the Bostonian Society. It being training day for the

Boston Regiment, the soldiers were drawn up in two lines in King's (now State) street, by his Excellency's orders, and the officers paid the standing salute to the three, namely, Shirley, Pepperrell, and Warren. As they passed, the street, windows, doors, and balconies were crowded, and the regiment fired three volleys, and gave three hurrahs, in which the whole populace joined.

Sir William soon after took his seat at the Council Board, to which he was re-elected president. The House of Representatives, then in session, being informed that he and Admiral Warren were in the Council Chamber, went thither, when the speaker addressed them in the following manner:—

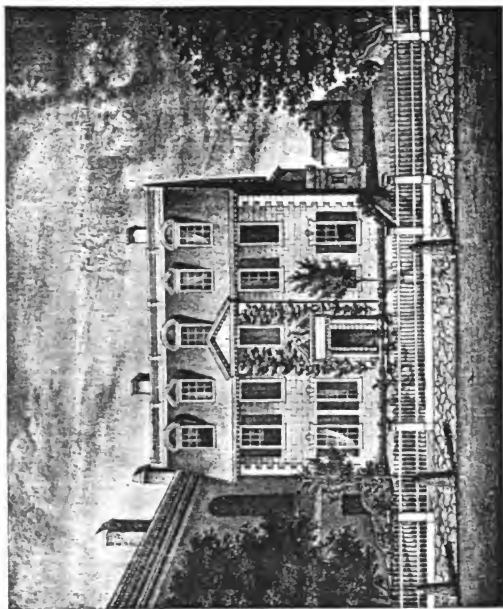
"The House of Representatives of this Province, have a high sense of the services you have done for his Majesty's subjects in general, and for the people of New England in particular; and it is with the greatest pleasure they embrace this happy opportunity of acknowledging it.

In their name, and by their order, I congratulate you on your safe arrival in the Province, and most heartily bid you welcome."

On the 4th of July, Sir William, attended by divers officers and gentlemen, set out for his seat in Kittery. He was met at Lynn by a troop of horse and entertained, and was there received by a company of gentlemen and conducted to Salem; on entering which, he was saluted with cannon, and ringing of bells, and conducted to the town hall to partake of a magnificent entertainment. After dinner the royal healths were drunk, Governor Shirley's, Sir William's, Admiral Warren's, Brigadier Waldo's, and all the officers and men at the siege of Cape Breton; at each health the cannon were fired, and a treble discharge made by the troop of horse. On leaving Beverly ferry a cavalcade met him from Ipswich and Newbury, and conducted him to the latter place, where his arrival, at eleven o'clock at night, was announced by a salute from the town cannon and by various fireworks, and the whole party were entertained with an elegant supper by Hon. Major Greenleaf. Next morning at ten, he crossed the Merrimac River, attended by the high sheriff and a cavalcade from the county of York. He was attended from Hampton to Portsmouth by his Majesty's council of New Hampshire, the high sheriff, and numerous officers civil and military, with many other gentlemen, and two companies of horse. On entering Portsmouth a troop of horse led the van, followed by officers of Louisburg with music and colors flying, then Sir William in a barouche, then the council, sheriff, and a long train of gentlemen, and a troop of horse brought up the rear. He was conducted to the governor's house to dine, and was saluted on his departure in the evening, as he had been on his arrival, by artillery, and was conveyed in the castle barge to his own house at Kittery.

His plate descended to his grandson, Sir William, and was allowed under the confiscation act of 1778 (which conferred on town authorities a liberal discretion in the settlement of estates) to be taken away from the dwelling of the deceased at Kittery Point. Colonel Moulton of York, with six soldiers, guarded its conveyance to Boston, whence it was shipped for England.

The Pickman Mansion House, built just after the fall of Louisburg, and still standing, replaced an old dwelling



THE PICKMAN MANSION OF 1750: ESSEX, FACING ST. PETER STREET

built by Henry Bartholomew in the earliest years of the town. Mr. Timothy Lindall, who owned the estate on the east of the Pickman homestead, where he had a great warehouse destroyed in the fire of 1698, erected on the site of the warehouse a dwelling which gave place, in 1824, to the East India Marine Hall. He was the maternal grandfather of the recipient of this Louisburg silver, and purchased, in 1680, and owned until his death, the Bartholomew dwelling. Thus, through an aunt Sarah Moreshead, who presented it to him in 1749, it became the property of Benjamin Pickman, and he pulled it down and erected in its place the elegant Mansion House, the noble lines of which may still be traced. Men of the first distinction have been received here. In 1775, Genl. Benedict Arnold, on his way to Quebec, then strong in the confidence of his great Chief which he was not long after to betray, was with his staff entertained here at dinner by Colonel Pickman. And here, too, Governor Pownall, in 1757, the Count Castiglioni, in 1785, and Alexander Hamilton with his suite, in 1800, accepted the same generous hospitality. It was one of the most elegant mansions then erected in Salem, every way worthy of so distinguished a family.

The Essex Gazette, for 1773, thus notices the death of Colonel Pickman :

"SALEM, AUGUST 24.

"Last Friday departed this Life, at his House in this Town, the Hon. BENJAMIN PICKMAN, Esq., in the 67th Year of his Age; A Gentleman who has sustained many of the most important civil and military Offices in the Government, all which he successively resigned in his advancing Age. He was for many Years a Member of his Majesty's Council, a Justice of the Inferior Court, Colonel of the first Regiment of Militia in this County, and one of the most eminent Merchants in the Province.

"His Remains were Yesterday interred with all the Respect, Honour and Solemnity that the Town could afford.—A Detachment from the Regiment (of which he was lately Colonel), having their Arms reversed, and the Militia Officers of the Town, and the present Colonel, dressed in military Mourning, preceded the Corps, marching in funeral Procession, with Drums and Fifes beating and playing. A numerous Train of Mourners, followed by a large Number of the principal Gentlemen and Ladies of the Place, succeeded the Corps; the whole closed by a Number of Coaches and Chariots, and formed one of the greatest funeral Processions ever before seen in the Town, and which drew together several Thousand Spectators.—After the Body was entombed, the Detachment of Militia, which was commanded by Capt. Flagg, fired three Volles, to very good Acceptance, which concluded the Solemnity of the Interment."

The Essex Gazette for August 31, 1773, says :

"The following Character we copied from the Evening Post.

SALEM, 20th AUGUST, 1773.

The Town of Salem observed his Accomplishments and called him to fill most of their important Places of Trust; which he discharged with great Honor to himself, & Advantage to the Public.

In the House of Representatives he appeared the able, firm and uncorrupted Patriot. At the Council Board he maintained the Reputation of a wise, upright Counsellor. As a Justice of the Peace he was strictly just and impartial; and passed thro' these high Employments of the State with great Abilities and untainted Honor, and left such a lustre upon them as is seldom known.

By the Smiles of Heaven on his Industry and Application to Business, he acquired an ample Fortune, which enabled him to be a most extensive Blessing—He was a Father to the Poor, & the Widow's Heart he often caused to sing for Joy.

As a Merchant, his Reputation was unsullied. He was an affectionate Husband, a tender Father, an indulgent Master, a sincere and steady Friend."

Here are extracts from the will of Benjamin Pickman, dated Feb. 4, 1773, and proved Sept. 6, 1773.

Following the conventional preamble of the period comes this clause :

"Principally, and in the first Place, I commend my Soul to God who gave it, hoping for Eternal Life through the Merits of My dear Redeemer, and my Body to the Earth to be interr'd in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executor hereafter mentioned, not doubting at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the same again through the Mighty Power of God. . . .

"Imprimis ; I Give for the Use of the Poor of the North Church in Salem the Interest of Sixty Pounds Yearly, to be paid to the Pastor & Deacons of s^d Church, to be Yearly Distributed to the Most Necessitous of said Church, about the Eighth Febr'.

"Item ; I give the Rev^d Thomas Barnard Fifteen Pounds.

"Item ; I give the Rev^d Thomas Barnard, Ju^r, Fifteen Pounds. . . .

"Item ; I give my Son Benj^a Pickman my Library, reserving the Use of the whole, or any Part thereof, to my Wife during her life ; also my Watch & Montiff.

"Item ; I give my Well-beloved Wife, Love Pickman, the Use and Improvement of my Mansion House, outhouses, Barn and Land thereto belonging, during her

Natural Life. I Likewise give her all my Household Furniture, Linen & Plate, also what Service I may have in any White or black Servants in the House; also my Chaise & Horse . . . also my Land in South Field & forest River, being the whole of the Land now improv^d as that Farm with the Buildings thereon, also the Furniture in said House . . .

"Item; I give my Son Benj^a Pickman & his Heirs forever my Mansion House, Outhouses & Land, at the Death of my Wife.

"Item; I give my Son C. Gayton Pickman & his Heirs forever my House, Outhouses & Land thereto belonging, in School Street, etc. . . .

"I will that if there be any Poor, Necessitous Persons indebted to me, which would Distress him or them to pay the same, it be in part or whole forgiven them.

"I will that such Vessels of mine as are engaged in Voyages, at my Death, Prosecute the same to the End, on Acc^t of my Estate, my Executor keeping the Merchantmen & the Cargoes insur^d to the end of the Voyage. And I Do hereby Appoint & Constitute my Son Benj^a Pickman, Ju^r, Esq^r, to be sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament."

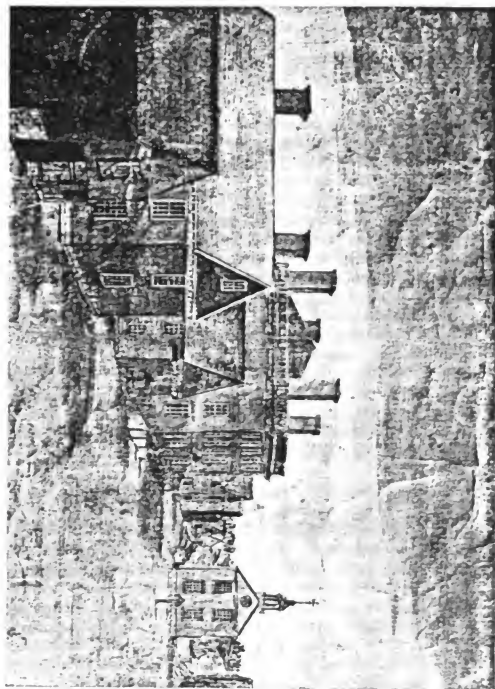
The remains of Colonel Pickman rest in the Broad Street Cemetery, once "Burying Hill," under an altar-tomb built of red brick. On its top is a thick sandstone slab bearing inscriptions to the memory of himself and his honored consort. It seems to have borne other memorials, but time has obliterated all trace of them, save at the western end of the slab, where there is a large rectangular depression, now filled with mortar, from which some other decoration must have disappeared. Near by are the graves of Timothy Lindall, of Deacon Timothy Pickering, of Colonel Timothy Pickering, of the Honorable John Pickering and of the Corwin family.

In the Charter Street Ground, once "Burying Point," and older than "Burying Hill," there is another Pickman altar-tomb, placed close against the garden-fence of the "Doctor Grimshawe" house, and surrounded with the graves of Higginsons and Ingersolls and Mathers and Swinnertons and Willoughbys and Gedneys, while the monument placed by the Province over the remains of

Governor Bradstreet, in 1697, is not far away. This altar-tomb is built of finely dressed granite blocks, and is capped with a thick sandstone slab, which bears no inscription but which has, inserted at its western end, a white marble tablet bearing, in sunken lettering, the three names "Barton: Toppan: Pickman." Here the remains of Benjamin Pickman, Jr., seem to rest. He was absent from Salem but a few years, during which time his family remained here. On his return to Salem in 1785 he seems to have been promptly and cordially restored to favor. He was the favorite choice for Treasurer of the various bodies with which he was connected. In 1788 he was acting as Treasurer of the Proprietors of the North Bridge. In 1798 he was one of the large subscribers to the fund for building the frigate *Essex* and was their Treasurer. In 1806 and for other years he was the Treasurer of the Town.

If the authority of the *Heraldic Journal* is to be accepted, there was somewhere in a churchyard in Salem, in 1865-6, over the grave of Judith, a daughter of Benjamin Pickman, and wife of Dr. Edward Augustus Holyoke, and also marking the graves of others of the Pickman family, a slatestone tablet inserted in a heavy brown sandstone slab, bearing the same "armorial insignia" which appear on the *Louisburg silver*, except that they have a martlet for a crest while the crest in the *Heraldic Journal* is a helmet. But it is safe to say that nowhere in Salem, either in a churchyard or in any burial ground, are Pickman arms carved in stone to be traced to-day.

Besides the Pickman Mansion built on the main street, as we have seen, in 1750, and in 1794 sold to Elias Hasket Derby, who at once presented it to his daughter, Mrs. Benjamin T. Pickman, Colonel Pickman also erected, in 1764, at the corner of Lynde Street and School (now Washington) Street a large dwelling, built of brick,—one of the earliest brick houses of that type in Salem,—which is still standing but much changed from its original design, and which, in the illustration given, is well shown as it looked before 1785, at which latter date the brick school-house, with the whipping post at its southern front, as shown in the picture, disappeared to make way for the McIntire Court House of 1785. The Witchcraft Court House of



THE PICKMAN HOUSE OF 1764, AT THE CORNER OF WASHINGTON AND LYNDE STREETS.

wood, later used as a school-house, had been torn down in 1760. The illustration is from a water-color drawing, now in possession of the Institute, and supposed to have been made by Dr. Joseph Orne, while a student of medicine under Dr. Holyoke from 1765 to 1770, the point of view being the balcony on the northern end of the Old Town House of 1718-1785, which stood in Town House Square.

The cupola with its McIntire eagle, its notch in the blind towards the harbor to admit a spy-glass, its mural painting of the Derby fleet done by Corné, and its other familiar features, has been added by the Derby family since it passed into their hands from the Pickmans. The wooden front with its heavy, fluted Ionic pilasters, known to modern observers, is only a battened face, added at a time when such treatment of brick houses was in fashion. A like front may be seen on the George Cabot house at Beverly.

This house Colonel Pickman left to his son Clark-Gayton whose widow, Sarah, sold it in 1782 to Elias Hasket Derby, and he lived there while building his palatial residence where now is Derby Square on Essex Street. After he left the Pickman house for his new mansion, in 1799, his son John Derby succeeded to it, and from him, in 1835, it passed by deed to Robert Brookhouse. During the Derby occupancy at least two persons of distinction were born under this roof. John Rogers, the sculptor who was so successful in seizing and fixing, in the enduring material of his art, the passing phases of the Civil War, was born in this house, his mother having been a Derby, and the eminent Boston advocate and corporation counsel of the last generation, Elias Hasket Derby, was also born there.

Colonel Pickman had besides these other interests in several sections of the town. The Pickman Farm, a local landmark for a century and a half, will be noticed later. Pickman street, a not very ancient residential by-way, took its name from pasture lands improved by Colonel Pickman near Collins Cove and Ferry Lane. It is a short and in no way an important street of the city, and it is matter of regret that Pasture Lane, once an ungraded way from the Marblehead road through the Great Pastures to Swampscott line, now the great avenue leading from

Lafayette street through the Pickman Farm to Swampscott and Lynn, does not bear instead the name of so distinguished a family. The western part of Pickman Street is modern, having been laid out by four abutters as a private way, in 1807, and not accepted by the town, and there was, until 1871, but a single house on it besides those on the two corners which it forms with Winter Street. This was the brick house occupied, during his residence in Salem, by the Rev. William Rawlins Pickman. On the southern corner of Winter Street stood a wooden dwelling now moved back.

On the northern corner of Winter Street stands a brick dwelling, built before 1808 on land sold by John Gardner in 1805, and then facing Pickman street and having its entrance in the middle of that side. This estate, with its fine old-fashioned New England garden, marked off with high box borders into fragrant flower-beds, with here and there a tempting fruit-tree, extended the whole northern side of the western section of Pickman Street. Before the brick house at the corner of Winter Street was built, that site was occupied by a very old Colonial residence of wood, left by will in 1767 by Jonathan Gardner to his son John who built the Joseph White house on Essex Street, and next on the north stood another very old wooden Colonial residence, in which that genial antiquary, the late Dr. Benjamin F. Browne, was born.

These two estates, once the property of Jonathan Gardner, had again come under one ownership in 1832, —the northern wooden house, through several mesne conveyances, then passing from the Gardners to Adjutant General George Humphrey Devereux, and the corner brick house, fronting on the private way, passing in 1812 from Joseph White, who took it by foreclosure, to John Forrester, and in 1831 from John Forrester to General Devereux, who had married his daughter. They changed hands again by one conveyance, in 1841, and in 1849 both estates were sold to Henry Mellus who occupied the brick house not long after, and replaced the old wooden house with a fine mansion of like material, built for the occupancy of his brother-in-law Edward H. Payson. In this new wooden house lived Francis Willoughby Pickman during his last stay in Salem.

But the easterly part of Pickman Street, between Pleasant Street and Collins Cove, was older, and may have been a lane, reached from the bars near the Common at the southern end of Pleasant Street, when the Pickman family owned lands for pasturage and kitchen-gardening in that section of the town. Pleasant Street was carried through to Bridge Street in 1795 and Pickman Street East opened in 1805. The practice of that day, among persons of means, was not only to supply their tables from vegetable-gardens within easy reach of the mansion, but to depasture carriage-horses as well as work-horses and cows on their own grounds.

When Washington rode out of town on the morning of October 30, 1789, to breakfast with his friend George Cabot at Beverly, he left the Main Street at the corner of Pleasant Street and followed that way along the side of the Common as far as it extended, then turning into Brown street. Beyond this point towards the North there was nothing but open pasturage before him. Pleasant Street was not extended from the Common to Bridge Street until 1795 nor accepted by the town until 1797. The Common then contained on that side the Alms House, the location of which is still marked by its old well with an oaken cover. The Common also contained a gun-house, and a school-house. It was a rough, ill-graded training field, without a fence, choked up with brambles and disfigured with duck-ponds. Turning to the left at the bars which opened from the end of Pleasant Street into the pastures, Washington passed through Brown street for a few rods, the tanyard of the grandfather of Governor Andrew on his right, and then turned leaving the town hay-scales on his left, into Winter Street,—a wide and slightly way, but not so fine a street as it became in 1811 when Judge Story built the brick house still standing at its southern entrance and procured the rectifying of its western line. Before 1805 the street was wholly lined with ancient wooden houses.

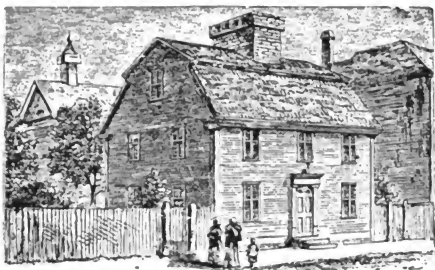
The Pickman Farm with its fine old farm-house still standing, once a summer resort of generations of the Pickmans, and one of the ancient landmarks of Salem, came into the family, piece by piece, at dates later than

1754. First, Benjamin Pickman bought, in that year, at a cost of £169-12-6, a considerable tract "measuring 11 acres and 10 poles, beginning at y^e N. W. Corner thereof, being a corner or turn in y^e old Road leading to Marblehead at or near y^e place where y^e Second Gate, so called, on s^d Road formerly stood" . . . "by y^e wall by y^e highway" . . . "including y^e same wall."

To this he added, in 1762, at a cost of £70, several adjacent parcels of salt-marsh, and the farm area was again extended, six months after his death, by his widow, Love Rawlins Pickman, who purchased another parcel of marsh-land, costing £33-6-8, and upon her death, in 1786, the whole property passed, under the provisions of the will of her husband, to Benjamin Pickman, jr., who in turn, two years later, expended £121-2-6 in the purchase of an adjoining tract of from four to five acres of upland "bounded easterly on the Cove," together with "Beech, thatch & flats" thereto appurtenant. The farm kept growing.

But a very considerable part of this wide tract was acquired by a curious process which could only obtain in an old community like ours. Partly by inheritance, but largely by purchase, the Pickman family, from time to time, became possessed of a large number of shares or rights in the Great Pasture Corporation, and while these rights to depasture horses and cows were probably of little pecuniary value, they represented, in the total, a claim upon the general acreage of the Corporation which, if set off and owned in severalty,—properly fenced and cleared of undergrowth,—might be made available for farming purposes. Accordingly the Courts were appealed to in the case of this and several other large estates similarly interested, and a considerable tract was added to the farm-lands of the Pickman estate as well as of other adjoining proprietors in this way. This pasture-land extends far towards Swampscott on both sides of the Boston and Maine Railroad track and, in the autumn months, appeals to the eye of every traveller by rail, from being overgrown in parts with the famous golden-hued woad-waxen or *Genista tinctoria*.

The Pickman Farm, with its ample barns and its farm



THIS HOUSE,
THE BIRTHPLACE OF HAWTHORNE,
SHOWN SUBSTANTIALLY AS IT NOW APPEARS,
AND SUPPOSED TO PRESERVE PARTS, IF NOT THE WHOLE,
OF THE DWELLING OF
CAPTAIN BENJAMIN PICKMAN,
WAS BUILT ON LAND GIVEN BY JOSEPH HARDY,
THE SHIP-WRIGHT,
TO HIS "WELL-BELOVED SON-IN-LAW,"
DELIVERY BEING MADE BY TURF AND TWIG,
"UPON WHICH LAND Y^e S^d BENJAMIN PICKMAN HIS
DWELLING HOUSE NOW STANDETH",
THE DEED OF GIFT BEARING DATE, AUGUST 17, 1685.

THE HOUSE MUST HAVE BEEN A FAMILIAR RESORT OF THE
BENJAMIN PICKMAN OF 1708-1773.
FOR IT WAS, IN HIS BOYHOOD, THE HOME OF HIS GRANDMOTHER,
WHO DIED THERE IN 1727.

BY DEED, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 1772, IT PASSED
TO DANIEL, THE GRANDFATHER OF
NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE.

house dating from two periods, was probably the largest aggregation of land in continuous acreage in any one estate of this neighborhood. Its four-hundred and twenty-four acres, lying in the midst of a populous region like ours, seems almost a fabulous estimate, though much of it, according to modern views of husbandry, did little more than help make up the startling total. But the figures are correct and are given under oath in an appraisal of the Pickman estate recorded in the Probate Court of the County in 1819. Such was the farm as it was known to the venerable Benjamin P. Ware, who was born there in 1822 and who, with his father whom he succeeded as manager, and a brother, conducted the estate for a quarter of a century. He recalls the famous "Pickman Pippin," the favorite apple of this region, the original tree having lasted, as a decaying trunk, into his boyhood. He recalls the massive, square chimney-stack of the ancient portion of the house, with its great, brick oven on one side, and its three broad fireplaces opening into as many rooms and occupying the remaining faces of the chimney; and the newer house with its generous stud and larger windows and panelled wainscoting and well-carved balusters and mantelpieces, whose spare rooms, silent and stately, were the sacred precinct of his boyish years; and the holiday parties bearing which the family coaches rolled out from town, on the Fourth of July always and often on some other festive day, with their hampers laden with good cheer, their china-ware and silver and table-linen, their children and guests, and all under the watchful care of Abraham True, the good old black butler, whose presence alone was earnest enough of the quality of the feast. To how many of these family merrymakings may the Louisburg Tankard have lent its gladsome inspiration!

The so-called "Montiff" or "Monteith" weighs 54½ ounces. It measures with its cover 12 inches in height and 8½ inches without it. Its diameter is 5½ inches, and across the handles it measures 11 inches. It has a capacity of about one gill in excess of four pints. The name "Swan," presumably that of the silversmith who made it, is stamped in two places on its upper rim, and if the tradition is correct that Swan is the name of a well-known

Boston silversmith of the first half of the eighteenth century, this elaborate and graceful piece of plate would seem to be a creditable product of the local craftsmanship of the period. The name "Monteith,"—or "Montiff," a corruption of Monteith,—which has been uniformly applied to it by the Pickman family, seems to be a strange misnomer. The suggestion that a Monteith might have been presented by the Province and later, in the division of some estate, in order to meet a difficulty in deciding to whom it should descend, the Monteith might have been melted down and converted into a number of tankards, of which the subject of this article is one, finds no countenance either in the traditions of any branch of the Pickman family or in the records of the Probate Court. A Montiff is mentioned, in 1773, in the will of Benjamin Pickman who received it from the Province, and again in the notes on Salem written, twenty years later, by his son Benjamin. But, whatever else this piece of plate may properly be called,—and it is not quite easy to find a single word which designates it with entire accuracy,—it is clear enough that it is not the article called a Monteith which, in 1689 or earlier, took the name of its inventor.

The Monteith is a recognized piece of table furniture, and authorities upon such matters are at no loss to agree upon a definition of it. It is, as we have seen, a punch-bowl, generally made of silver, sometimes having fluted sides with much ornamentation, and for handles often having two rings, attached to the sides through the mouth of a Lion's Head or other like device. Fine ones are to be seen at the Mansion House in London, at Lincoln's Inn, and at Berkeley Castle. One of these silver punch-bowls, presented to the Cloth-Workers' Company by Sir John Bull, in 1718, has Bulls' Heads to support its handles.

The Monteith had an adjustable rim which was removed when punch was to be brewed, and which was deeply incised or notched, allowing a dozen punch-glasses to be ranged about the inside of the bowl for cooling them with water, or for their protection in the handling, when the Monteith was brought to the table, the stem of a glass

being dropped into each slot, with the base of the glass outward. When the Monteith was in use, the rim supporting the punch-glasses was taken off and placed upon the table. A ladle and lemon-strainer, both of silver, with other needful appliances, accompanied it. Pictures of it are not unfamiliar, and we insert one. The contrivance came into vogue some years before the eighteenth century began and was the invention of a man of



fashion named Monteith, but it is not impossible that his name may have been also associated, in the New England of that day, with other articles of table-ware besides the punch-bowl described. Words which

are derivatives from a proper name have often in this way kept alive the memory of a man. Familiar instances are Boycott, Raglan, Derringer, Daguerreotype, Minnie rifle, Guillotine, Bowie knife, Mansard roof.

On the obverse of this fine piece of plate are engraved, with the addition of a martlet for a crest, the Arms which, since 1723, appear to have been used by various branches of the Pickman family. They are described in the *Heraldic Journal* for 1865, quoting the Gore Roll of Arms for its authority, as the Arms of Benjamin Pickman, the father of the recipient of this silver, but as having no crest, and as also to be seen on a tablet in the Salem Churchyard. The Arms are said to be: "Gules, two battle-axes in saltire gold, between four martlets, argent." The same publication for 1866 depicts such Arms as are here described, in the account of a tomb in Salem upon which are to be found the names of Judith, the wife of E. A. Holyoke, Esq., who was a daughter of Benjamin Pickman; of Elizabeth, the wife of Samuel Pickman, Esq.; and of

William Eppes, Esq., who married a Pickman. In this cut a helmet is added for a crest, but the authority for the addition is not cited, and no location of the tomb is given. The coat of arms depicted in this connection is said to be carved on a slate tablet inserted in freestone, and to be more recent than the date of the original erection of the tomb, from the freestone tablet of which the inscriptions had nearly disappeared. No such arms nor inscriptions are now to be found on any monument in Salem. Both the Clark Gayton Pickmans and the Dudley Leavitt Pickmans use the same arms with a battle-axe for a crest.

The silver pitcher presented to Benjamin Toppan Pickman measures $10\frac{1}{4}$ inches in height. The name "Ward" is engraved once on the inside rim of the base, and is thought to be the name of the silversmith who engraved the inscription. No maker's name and no evidence of origin appears elsewhere on the pitcher. On its obverse is engraved (in script) "New England Guards to Benjⁿ. T. Pickman, Esq^r." And on its base :

" Elected Ensign, June 18, 1814

" Lieu^t, May 6, 1817

Resign'd June 26, 1819, being
appointed Aid to Gov. Brooks.

Voted June 28th 1819

That the name of Benj^a T. Pickman be
entered upon the Roll of the New-
England Guards as an honorary
Member.

" Lorenzo Draper, O. S."

Perhaps enough has been said to make it appear that the fall of Louisburg was so grand an occasion as to warrant some exceptional acknowledgment from the Province of Massachusetts Bay; that the family honored with these testimonials have proved themselves worthy to receive them, by maintaining their prestige in the face of a public sentiment which looks askance at hereditary distinctions and ancestral honors, and in a country where every man is supposed to stand or fall by his own merit; and that, of all possible places for the final deposit of these beautiful memorials, none could have been more fitly chosen than Salem, the ancestral home of the Pickman family, and the Essex Institute, a long-established County society of recognized standing.

SALEM COMMONERS RECORDS,
1713-1739.

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(Continued from Vol. XXXIX, page 80.)

Sam ^l Aborn for a Cottage Right for an house of Sam ^l Whitford bought of Hawks who married a Whitford	1
John Felton for his own Dwelling house proved to be built in 1713	1
Adjourned to y ^e 9 Aug th present as above Except Capt Putman	
Att A Meeting of the Comitee continued by Adjournments to y ^e 26 Feb 1731/2 Capt Osgood Mr. Lindal Capt Barton Maj Eppes Capt Barnard	
A Right for the House Ben ^a Verry Lived in w ^{ch} he lived 1702	1
A Right for Jn ^o Blanoë house built before 1714	1
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Peter Osgood James Lindal Daniel Eppes Tho ^s Barton Ben ^a Lindal Jun ^r Sam ^l Barnard	}	Comtt.
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[69] Salem Newengland 4th April 1715
An Acco^t of Cash Expended and Disburstt by order
(121)

of y^e Committe for Profsecuting of Trespassers and other
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Proprieters in Gen^l y^e 22nd November 1714 & 31st January
1714/5 Dr.

1715	Appl 4 th	To paid Cap ^l Jonathan Putnam 57 ^s for Profsecuteing or Ebenezer Southwicks Appeal att Ipswich Court 15 th March 1714/5 Against a Pretended Commite being Some of the old Cottagers who would Ineroach & Ingrofe all all y ^e Common Lands in Salem	2	17	-
	May 3 rd	To paid Cap ^l John Gardner 4 ^{ll} 10 ^s 0 ^d for measuring of Salem Comons and takeing a Platt Roles and Bags &c ^{tt} and for his afsistants	4	10	-
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		To Seruing first writt 3 ^s 4 ^d To Jacob Williard for Copies 4 ^s : Expended on D Dauison 12 ^d	8	4	
		To Sundry Copies of Col ^o Higginfon, Justice Hale, Justice Woolcot Cap ^l Price & W ^m Gedney & note 20 ^s	1	-	-
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	27 Sep ^r	To paid M ^r Attorney 40 ^s Jarius Ring 10 ^s Expended 5 ^s 9 ^d w th y ^e Justices In Ebenezer Southwick Caufe att Newbury Court	2	15	9
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20 th	& the hands of Sam ^u Bell	15 Jan ^a		
1719/20			£20	- -
Ap ^u 26	To pd Col ^o Sam ^u Browne Esq ^r			
25 th	& y ^e hands of Eleaz ^r Pope & Sam ^u Goodell		£25	- -
1720				
Ap ^u 29	To Col ^o Samuel Browne Esq ^r 6 ^u			
	in Land		6	- -
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[70] Salem Newengland 4th Aprill 1715& Contra Cred^e1715, Apl 4th By Benj^a Pope 18^u for aboute

7½ Acres Land Ineroached by Said Pope part of Itt within his fence Returned by a Committe formerly appointed for Ineroachments on y ^e Comon Lands in Salem as may Apear by their Platt on file		18	-	-
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By Cap ^u osgood 10 ^o he Reced ^e of Joseph Flint for Cutting a Tree on y ^e Com ^m		10	-	-
By Col ^o Samuell Browne Esq ^r 4 ^u for Swamply Land neer his farme		4	-	-
		28 16 6		

The above s^d acc^u read, Considered & allowed by y^e
Comitty & fettled this 2nd day of Aprill 1716: & order
of y^e Comitty with Mr W^m Gedney Clerk to y^e || said
Proprietors || of Salem Common Lands & Walter Price
one of y^e Comitty

By 6 ^u Reced ^e of Joseph Hutchinson for 3 Acres of Land on the North Side of Ipswich Riuer 5 Sep ^r 1718		6	-	-
Sep ^r 18	By Jn ^o Trask 1 ^u & the hands of Josiah woolcot Esq ^r for one years Rent of the Land whereon he has built A new house an ^o 1716	1	-	-
[] ^u	By Benj ^a Buffum Three Pounds for three Rod Land neer Sam ^u Cook	3	-	-
By Israell Andrew 50 ^u for Land In controuersy Releas ^t to him		50	-	-
		£60 - -		

By John Traske 3 rd 30 th 23 May 1719 for half an acre of Land on plaine		£30 - -
		£90 - -
By George Smith 40 ^s 31 July 1719 : for 7 pole Land by Strong water brooke		£2 - -
By Ball ^a due as on the otherside to the Proprietors 30 July 1719		3 11 -
By Sam ^{ll} Stacy 20 ^s 25 Decemb ^r 1719 in part of his Bill		1 - -
By Sam ^{ll} Bell & the hands of Col ^o Browne in part for 52 pole Land Trask plaine		£20 - -
Jan ^u 19 1719/20 By Cap ^{tt} Jon ^a Putnam 18 th for a Triangle of Land about 8 acres on Topsfeild Land		£18 - -
By M ^r Jn ^o Trask 40 ^s for 2yrs Rent of the Land where his new house is built 1718 & 1719		£2 - -
Apr ^l 26 1720 By Eleazer Pope for $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acree of Land on Trask plaine next to the Lane		£20 - -
By Sam ^{ll} Goodell for $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acree of Land most of itt back Land on Trasks plaine		£15 - -
By Col ^o Sam ^{ll} Brown Esq ^r 6 th for one acree of Land neer ffrost Riuer & 1 acre neer Spring pond		6 - -
Apr ^l 24 By Sam ^{ll} King 20 th for 3 acres of Land neer W ^m Shaws		20 - -
May 2 By Ezekiel Golethite 10 th and 10 th ditto 8 th June for 3 acres Land neer W ^m Shaws		£20 - -
July 24 By Daniell Shaw 16 th 10 ^s for 3 acres of Land neer to W ^m Shaws		£16 10 -
feb. 11 By Abraham Southwick 20 th for one Qrt ^r of an Acre of Land on Trask plaine		£20 - -

14 By John Shillaber 40 ^u for half an acre of Land on Trask plaine	40 - -
14 By Joseph Thraher 20 ^u for 1 Quar ^r of an acre of Land neer the Town bridge	£20 - -
22 By Nath ^l & Samuell Felton 20 ^r for Exchange of Land for enlarging the highway	£1 - -
By Cap ^t John Gardner 38 ^u for 8 acres of Land on Ipswich Rieuer neer Phelps	£38 - -
	£263 1 -

Posted forward one leafe : the Balance
being 59^u-7^s-8^d

[71] Salem Newengland 13 Octobr 1721

1721 The Proprietors of Salem Comon Lands in Gen^l
Dr.

Oct ^r 13 th To paid Mr John Pra ^t the Comities Expences 13 day octo after Reckning	£ 2 6 11
No 21 To paid Joseph Verry 22 ^u -0 ^s -0 ^d : pd the fence Viewers 56 ^s	£24 16 -
feb 8 th To paid Thomas flint 30 ^r To pd Cap ^t Peter Osgood for Self & Mr Waid 5 ^u -3 ^s -0	£6 13 -
Sep ^r 4 th To paid the old Cottager 57 ^u - 05 ^s -0 ^d for makeing wall formerly on Lyn Line	57 5 -
octobr 5 To paid Benj ^a Flint for takeing Care of the young wood & help measuring Comon & c ^u	4 1 -
To pd Mr James Holton 5 ^r Sam ^l Aborne 12 ^r Eleazer Goiles 12 ^r Ed Pickring 8 ^r To pd Benj ^a Iue ^r 4 ^r all for help measuring the Comons	2 1 -
octo 17 To pd Cap ^t Burnap 3 ^u : ditto 20 ^r Maj ^r The ^r Burel 20 ^r Cap ^t Treuet 20 ^r	6 - -
18 To pd Cap ^t Knowlton 20 ^r De ^a Whipple 20 ^r Mr John Gott 20 ^r Valuation Comi ^t .	3 - -

No 7	To pd Cap ^a Putnam 59 ^s : pd		
	Jn ^o Trask 8 ^s Sam ^u Peirce 8 ^s Sam ^u		
	Aborn 8 ^s	4	3 -
Feb 7	To pd Mr Ward 25 ^s : pd Cap ^a		
	Gardner 3 ^u pd Mr Josiah Batchelder 14 ^s	4	19 -
March 23	To pd Cap ^a Burnap 3 ^u Mr Waid 3 ^u		
	To pd Cap ^a Osgood 3 ^u -3 ^s £9: 3:		
Ap ^u 10	To Mr James Lindal		
	10 ^s - Mr Benj ^a Flint 50 ^s - Mr		
	John Trask 30 ^s £4: 10:		
	To Mr Ward 20 ^s -Sam ^u		
	Aborne 16 ^s Jonathan Boyce		
	2 ^s N Trask 4 ^s £2: 2:		
	To Benj ^a Iue ^s 4 ^s Cap ^a		
	Putnam 20 ^s Jon ^a Marsh 14 ^s		
	pd formerly £1: 4:		
	To Joseph Swinerton 10 ^s		
	Cap ^a Joseph Burnap 10 ^s £1 -	£17	19 -
April 10 th 1723	To pd Mr John		
	Pratt the Surueyers &		
	Afsistants Expencis May		
1722	£7 9		
	To pd Ditto for the		
	Valluation Comities Ex-		
	pence octob ^r 1722 £6 16 8		
	To the Surueyors &		
	Afsistants Expencis March		
1723	£8 3 -		
	To pd the Grand Comities		
	Expencis from novemb ^r		
	1721 to 9 ap ^u 1723 £6 14 1		
		£29	2 9
Feb 11 th	To for Receiuing and		
	paying 177 ^u 17 ^s 3 ^d att 6 ^d		
	#lib	£4	8 11
		£166	15 7
	To due from W ^m Gedney to bal ^a		
	this acco ^u 11Feb 1723 mem ^o there is		
	also due 10 ^u to the proprietors from		
	Benj ^a Boyce as may appear & his		
	bond	70	9 4
		£237	4 11

also due from Sam^{ll} Stacy 14^s 6^d & bond :

when can gett Itt

also due from Sam^{ll} Golthite & note 10^s

Feb 11 1723/4. Present Col^o Brown Jon Woolcut
Stephⁿ Sewall Cap^t Sam^{ll} Gardner Cap^t Pet^r Osgood
Cap^t Jon^a Putnam James Lindall The foregoing Ac^t.
of W^m Gedney Esq^r Clark of the Proprietors of the
Common Lands of Salem being examined is alowed
and we find the ballence in his hands is Seuenty
pounds nine fhillings & four pence due to the
proprietors of the S^d Common Lands in Salem
befides some out standing debts as above mentioned,
by order of the Commitee

James Lindall one of the Co^mitee

[72] Salem 13 October 1721

& contra Cred^t

1721 By Ball ^a due from W ^m Gedney to Octo 13 y ^e Proprietors & Adjustment with the Grand Co ^m ite 13 oct ^o 1721 on ^r leef backwards	£59 7 8
No 21 By Joseph Verry 20 ^{ll} for one acre of Land neer butts brooke	£20 - -
29 By M ^r John Traske 20 ^s for one years Rent of y ^e Land where ano 1719 the new houle stands	£ 1 - -
Feb 21 By Jonathan Pudney 40 ^{ll} for between 11 : & 12 acres Land	£40 - -
March 10 By Samuell King 20 ^{ll} for one Qrt ^t of an acre of Land on Trask plain	£20 - -
Ap ^{ll} 11 By Micael Dwenil 5 ^{ll} for 1 acre $\frac{1}{4}$ Land on Topsfeild line	£ 5 - -
By Joseph Thrasher 18 ^{ll} for 50 Rod Rockey Land neer his houle	£18 - -
18 By Benj ^a Lynde Esq ^r 11 ^{ll} 5 ^s 0 ^d for a Spong or Strip & a Triangle of Land neer Cafilhill	£11 5 -
May 22 By Samuel Bell 6 ^{ll} that was pd Short for his Land now paid 22 May	£ 6 - -
Sept 4 By m ^r John Trask 20 ^s for one years Rent of the Land where the new houfe st : ano 1720	£ 1 - -

No 5 th	By John Hood &c ^u 6 ^u 5 ^s to make Good their halfe of the Stone wal and fence between Eb: Burrells Pasture & Col ^o Sam ^u Browne Esq ^r Land	6	5	-
	By Ebenezer Burrell &c ^u 6 ^u 5 ^s to make good their half of the Store wal and fence between their pasture & Salem Comons	£6	5	-
No 5 th	By Col ^o Sam ^u Browne Esq ^r 50 ^s 1722 being for 10 Rod of Ston wall w ^{ch} the proprietors Agreed it Should make Good his part of fence ags ^t y ^e comons	£02	10	-
19	By Thomas Mackentire 4 ^u for 1 acre & 65 pole Land Incroacht by him	4	-	-
	By John Moulton Sr 5 ^u bond for about 2 acres $\frac{1}{2}$ Land by him rec ^d 20 ^s 9de ^c Incroach rec ^d 4 ^u 29 ap ^u	£	5	- -
feb 4	By Col ^o John Turner Esq ^r 5 ^u 12 ^s 6 ^d for 1 acre $\frac{1}{2}$ Land neer Castle hil	5	12	6
7	By Benj ^a Boyce 10 ^u R ^s for 108 Rod of Land neer Nortons & his bond for 15 ^u	15	-	-
15	By Col ^o Samu ^{el} Browne Esq ^r the bal ^t of his acco ^u	4	4	9
oct ^o 11	By John Trask 20 ^s for one years Rent of y ^e Land where his new houe Stands an ^o 1721	1	-	-
	By Benj ^a flint 5 ^u 15 ^s Comprehend ^{ed} in the article of 57 ^u 5 ^s not yet paid him	5	15	-
		237 4 11		

[73] 1723 Salem in Newengland 1723

The Proprietors in Generall of Salem Comon Lands		Dr		
March 9 th	To pd for Copia ^r posting up Notifications Laying out Lands &c ^u att the end of the alphabett	£5	-	6
May 11: 1725	To drawing 2 writings and a bond and a Journy & horfs hire to Lyndsies to gett them Executed betwene Salem & Lyn proprietors	-	10	-
May 31: 1726	To pd Jacob Collins 12 ^s for			

Repaireing our pr ^{tt} of fence on dog pond Rocks in 6	- 12 -
ditto day To pd Sam ^{ll} aborne 70 ^s To pd M ^r Lewis 3 ^{ll} Jos Mansfield 4 ^s	3 17 -
July 21 : 1727 To pd M ^r Prat the Grand Comitys Expencis from 2 May 1723 to 21 July 1727	£2 19 11
	12 19 5
July 1727 To bills of Cred ^{tt} pd m ^r Benja Lynde Jun ^r & m ^r Icha ^d Plaisted 76 ^{ll} 4 ^s 4 ^d being the proport ^{bl} part of the proprietors, of the Great Pasture of the Ball ^a of this acco ^{tt} the bal ^a being 109 ^{ll} 2 ^s 3 ^d	£76 4 4
Aug 5-6 1728 To pd Jacob Collins 22 ^s for keeping our fence in Repare on dog pond Rocks 1727 & 1728*	0 0 -
	£89 3 9
To Bal ^a now due to this acco ^{tt} July 21 st 1727	£32 17 11
	£122 1 8
1728 The Proprietors in Gen ^{ll} of Salem Common Lands Dr	
August ^{tt} 5 th To pd Jacob Collins for keeping our Fence on dog Pond Rocks in Repare an ^o 1727 & 1728	£1 2 -
To : receving & paying 76 ^{ll} 4 & 4 @ 6 ^d	1 18 1
To receving & paying the ball ^a 32 ^{ll} 17 11 ^d	- 16 5
1730 Ap ^{ll} 30 To Bills of Credit pd Dan ^{ll} Eppes & Ben ^a Lynde Jun ^r being for the Prop ^{tn} of Midle Precincts part of the Ball ^a of 109 : 2 : 3 ^d as above & the ord ^r of s ^d Prop ^{tn}	19 13 8
1731 Aug: To Bills of Credit pd Israel Andrews & Ray for the Propt ⁿ of	

* This entry is crossed out in the original.

	To Mr Jacob Manning Acc ^o Journey to Ipswitch on Moulton cause 60/ D ^o 11/10	3 11 10
Nov ^r	To pd the clerk for Writing recording &ct & vote 11 Feb 1733/4	5 - -
	To Mr Dana 10/: pd Eb Moulton for his Unkles right £10	10 10 -
	To J ^s Lindall Esq ^r & S. Pope in p ^t of Mr Lindall Acc ^o on Moulton Cause	15 - -
Mar 31	To paid Mr Parker Moulton 1738 Cost Execution Ag st y ^e Com ^{rs} was in y ^e whole 47 10 9 but deducting y ^e Exceut ⁿ ag st him may 1734 6 3 6	41 7 3
	To Mr Lindall £10: Col ^o Barton 4-9/ Mrs Prat 6/1 ^d Carry'd to p ^a (98)	14 15 1
		145 3 4
[74]	1723/4 & Contra Cred.	
Feb 11 th	By Bal ^a due to the Proprietors on Settlement: 1: leaf back 11 fb 1723/4	£70 9 4
Jan ^r 30	By Benj ^a Boyce 8 th in part ditto 2 nd in ful 10 th nob ^r 1725	£10 - -
March 15	By Jno Traske 40 ^s for 2 years Rent of y ^e Land where his hous stands 1722-1723	£2 - -
May 20	By Mr Richard Johnson & others 32 nd 12 ^s 4 ^d for one half of the fence from Lyndsys to Mr Gedneys farme as & agreement	£32 12 4
1726 Feb 4	By Jn ^o Trask 20 ^s by the hands of Jon ^a 1 years Rent 1724	£1 - -
July 10	By outstanding debts Jn Trask 40 ^s reced 28 oct ^o 1727 for 1726 Sam th aborn 70: reced 6 Sep ^m Sam th Swasy 10	£6 - -
		£122 1 8

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	£	s	d
1727			
	£	32	17 11
July 1727 By the Ball ^a one the Otherside due 21 st July 1727			
By one years Rent to the 2 June 1728 of M ^r Jn ^o Traske	£	1	- -
	£	33	17 11

Reck^o Aug: 15: 1731 wth M^r J^a Grant one of the Exec^r of W^m Gedney Esq^r and there is due to the Estate of M^r Gedney the Sum of fifty Six Shilling & 6^d on Ball^a of this Acc^o of the Proprietors of the Comons he having Delivered up the notes & Bond for outstanding Debts 2: 16: 6

£ ord^r of Comt^r

Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Propt^r Clerk

1731			
	£	3	0 0
By Jon ^a Trask 3 y ⁿ Rent to June 2 1731			
1732 Dec ^r By Jon ^a Buxton 30/. D ^o & C ^r for ab ^o an acre & half Land as £ Deed 26. 0/		27	10 -
1733 May By Jos Wilkins for ab ^o 11 poles Land on Stones plain		16	- -
July By Wid ^o Procter for 18 poles Land on Stones plain Sold £ Comte		24	- -
		70	10 0
1733 Nov ^r By Jon ^a Trask 2 years Rent to June 1733		2	- -
By Ezek ^l Goldthrite for a peicee of Land		42	0 0
By Daniel Purrintun for a peice of Comons		27	0 0
		69	- -
By Isaack Meachum for a peice of Comons £ Deed		30	- -
	£	171	10 -

By Jon ^a Trask 1 y ⁿ Rent					
20/ to June 1734	1	0	0		
By Clough & Goodhue for					
peice of Land & Town					
bridge	77	0	0		
1734 By 8 poles & half Land					
Feb Sold S Pope Jun ^r as #					
Deed for	14	17	6		
1735 By a sm peice of Land Sold					
July Peter Twis Jr	10	0	0		
1736/7 By Jon ^a Trask 2 years					
Mar. 11 Rent to June 1736.40/.	2	0	0	104	17 6
				276	7 6
By Dan ⁱ Purintun 30/ D ^o					
to 1735 30/	3	0	0		
By Ez Goldthrite Interest					
of his Bond 24/ D ^o 60/					
1737/8	4	4	0		
By Clough & Goodhue					
Interst 3 y ⁿ to 1738	13	10	0		
				20	14 -
1738 By Jon ^a Trask 2 years rent to June					
1738				2	- -
				299	1 6
D ^o 2 y ⁿ to June 1740.				2	- -
				301	1 6

Carried to p^a (98)

[75] Att a Meeting of the Grand Comitte Impowred to call all Prop^m Meetings at Mr Pratts on y^e 12 June 1732 Agreed & ordered that there be a Meeting of the Prop^m of the comon & undevided Lands in Salem on Thursday the 29 day of June Inst at Two of the clock in the afternoon at the Town house in Salem viz^t to Consider of filling up the Number of the first or Grand Comitte also to Appoint Some Persons to Examine & audit the Acco^{ts} of y^e old Comitte & Report thereon to the Propriety

& to make Allowances to the Grand Com̄itte According to the time they have served also further to Consider (if the Proprietors shall judge fitt) of Capt Lawthorpes & Strattons Grant both of w^{ch} were referred to this Meeting Copy of Notifications posted on

y^e four meeting houses B L # ord^e of the Comt^r
Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Prop^{tn} Clerk

Att A Meeting of the Prop^{tn} of the Com̄on & undevided Lands in Salem att the Townhouse on ye 2^d June 1732 Voted Capt Peter Osgood Moderator for s^d meeting

Whereas some of the Grand Com̄itte have represented to the Propriety That unless the whole Com̄itte being the Number of Nine Persons be filled up they are not willing to Serve

Wherefore Voted that the Number of the Comittee be filled up So as now to Consist of Nine Persons

Voted That Mr Ben^a Flint Cap^t Ich^a Plaisted Mr Tho^{as} Procter Sen^r be added to the Grand Comittee who are still to Act & are Impowred to receive Claims for three month longer Two months of time allowed at the last meeting being now Elapsed

Voted That Mr Miles Ward Sen^r Mr Jn^o Prefson Mr Jn^o Cabbot Mr Jacob Manning & Sam^l King 3th they or the Maj^r part be the Com̄itte to Audit and Examine the Acco^{ts} of the old Grand Com̄itte & report to the next Meeting

Voted That the Allowance to the Grand Com̄itte be referred to the next Meeting

Voted That the Affair of Cap^t Lawthrop & Strattons Grant be referred to the next meeting & That in the mean time Mr James Lindall & Cap^t Barton be desired to make Search into the records concerning s^d Grants & whether never laid out & Report thereon

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comittee on the 29 June 1732 Agreed that the Comittee will meet on y^e Second Monday of the three next month of July Aug & Sept next at three of the clock in the afternoon att M^r Pratts to receive Claims or other buisness that may Ly before them

Notifications posted up See Coppy p^a (64)

[76] Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitee Impowred to receive Claims at M^r Pratts on Monday 10th July 1732 pres^t Capt osgood Maj Eppes Capt Barton Capt Plaisted B Lynde Jun^r

No Persons to Enter any claims

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitee Impowred to receive Claims at M^r Prats on Monday y^e 13 Aug 1732 Capt Putman Mr Lindal Maj Eppes Capt Barton Capt Plaisted Mr B Flint B Lynde Jun^r

A Right for the House that Philip Mackentire built & Lived in at Wils hill being built before 1714 & claimed by Jos Hutchinson 1

A Right for the House that M^r Jacob Manning built & lived in 1702 near to his Father Stones house 1

2 - 0

M^r Neal who was Admitted an Inhabitant of the Town Anno 1675 free Comonage

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitee Impowred to receive Claims at M^r Pratts on Monday Sept 1732 Lindal Barton Eppes Plaisted Procter Flint Lindal Several Claims made but none concluded to be Entered meeting Adjourned to Oct^r 9 1732

Att a Meeting of the Grand Com^{te} by Adjournm^t oct^r 9 1732 Lyndal Eppes Barton Plaisted Lynde meeting adjournd to 2nd Monday nov^r next

Att A Meeting of the Grand Com^{te} by adjournment Nov^r 1732 Eppes Osgood Lindal Barton Procter Lynde

Wid^o Procter prays for a Sm Strip of Land on w^{ch} her husband has built an house ordered that the Com^{te} who lay out y^e Comons measure out a p^t of y^e Com^{ons} where s^d House Stands meeting adjournd 2 mond^r Dec^r

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitee on 2^d monday of Dec^r 1732 Osgood Lindal Barton Plaisted Lynde

S^d Com^{te} being Impowred to call all Meetings

Agreed & ordered that there be a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Com^{on} & undevied Lands in Salem on monday the 25th day of y^e Instant month at the Townhouse in Salem at one of the Clock in the afternoon for to Chose

& fully Impower some Suitable persons for Defending the Comonⁿ in the Cause bro^t against them by Ebenezer Moulton of Salem

As also to receive & Accept (if the Proprietors Judge it best) the return of the Comitee Appointed to measure & Lay out the Comon Lands from Strong Water brook on North of Boston road called Stones & verrys Plains & Devide into Three Devisions of the Proprietors in proportion to the number of their rights—And to do Such other Matter or things as may then be thought necessary by the Proprietors concerning the Premises
 Copy of Notifications putt ~~in~~ ord^r of the Comte
 upon the 4 meeting houses Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Prop^t Clerk

[77] Att A Meeting of the General Proprietors of all the Comon & Undevided Lands in Salem Mett at the Townhouse in Salem on monday the 25th Dec^r 1732 S^d Meeting Legaly warned

Voted That Mr James Lindal be moderator for this meeting

Voted That Mr James Col^o Tho Barton Mr Jacob Manning be the Agents of the Prop^{rs} they or the Maj^r part of them have full power to Appear for & in behalf of the Prop^{rs} in any Suit brought or to be brought Against them by Ebenezer Moulton of Salem & Especially in the Cause comenced & to be heard at the next Inf^r Courts their power to Continue from Court to Court until the Cause be Ended

Voted That the s^d Comte chosen as above have full Power if they Judge best to agree with the s^d Moulton on Such terms as they may think Safe & reasonable for the Proprietors

Voted That the Return of the Comitee chosen Mar 14th 1731/2 Appointed to Lay out proportion & Devide the Comon Lands from strong Water brook to the Butts on the North side of Boston road called Stones & Verrys Plains, being read & the plans thereof perused That therefore the s^d Return be Accepted & the Lands as Layd out to the Several Devisions of the proprietors be Confirmed to them according to the s^d Devission ordered & made by the s^d Comitee, and the return to be recorded by the Clerk in the Prop^{rs} book of Records

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitte on 25th Dec^r 1732
 Capt Osgood Lindal Eppes Barton Plaisted Lynde Procter
 Tim^o Pickering Acc^o Disbursmⁿ for the Comonⁿ
 Allowed

Mⁿ Prats Acc^o of Expences to this day allowed
 also this day the Com^{te} Signed Deeds to Maj^r Eppes
 Joseph Buxton Jon^a Buxton Rob^t Wilson W^m Osborn
 Thornd^k Procter Jun^r & Sam^l Cook for a peice of y^e Comon
 Lands lying up by maj^r Eppes & bounded as followeth
 Southerly on Land belonging to the s^d Grantees (viz
 Owners of the Eighteen Acres) Twelve pole & four feet,
 Easterly on the Highway & Proptⁿ Land as the fence now
 Stands Twenty Two pole & five foot then running Two
 pole more Westerly then running Northerly five poles
 further Then running Westerly three poles to Felton
 Meadow & then butting Westerly on s^d Feltons meadow
 to the Land of the s^d Grantees & others Twenty Seven
 poles to be devided among them viz^t to Dan^l Eppes Two
 Eighteenths to Jos^h Buxton four Eighteenths to W^m
 Osborn Three Eighteenths to Rob^t Wilson three Eight-
 eenths Jon^a Buxton four Eighteenths to Thornd^k Procter
 Jun^r one Eighteenth & to Sam^l Cook one Eighteenth &
 the several persons paid down the mony viz^t Twenty five
 pounds & Jon^a Buxton fifty Shillings over his part to have
 an addition to his Three Eighteenth w^{ch} addition is in the
 bounds above mentioned

[78] The Return of the Comitee chosen to lay out &
 proportion & Devided the Comon Lands from Strong
 Water Brook to the Butts, & ordered to be recorded is as
 Followeth

Know all Men by these presents that we Henry Herrick
 Jun^r Ben^a Balch & Rob^t Woodberry all of Beverly in the
 County of Essex in New England being a Comitte chosen
 by the Propⁿ of the Comon & undevided Lands in Salem in
 s^d County & by their order as may Appear by their votes
 for the Same bearing Date Mar 14 : 1731/2 to devide the
 Comon Lands in s^d Town that ly between Strong Water
 brook & the butts on the North Side of Boston road called
 Sam^l Stones & verrys Plains into three Devisions in
 manner & form as the s^d Proprietors have ordered as
 Appears by their s^d Votes in observance whereof we have

proceeded on s^d Servis & having measured both the s^d peices of Comon Lands above named We find the peice of s^d Land called Samⁱ Stones plain that is bounded Southerly by Boston Road & Northerly by the Road that Leads to the midle Precinct & Westerly by the Proprieted Lands to Contain fifty Three Acres & one hundred & fifty three pole after the highway that we have now laid out containing one Acre & five poles & Eighteen poles for Purrington where his post House Stands & Eighteen poles where the new House built by Procters Standeth & one Acre & Twenty Six pole where Samⁱ Stones House Standeth, are Substracted out of the platt We have taken of s^d Land & the peice of Land called Verrys plain We find to be thirty Acres & Sixty five poles besides Seventy 70 poles for a burying place bounded out in s^d Land with Ten poles front on boston road & Extending seven poles back from s^d Road at the Westerly End & Eight poles at the Easterly End: And We have also measured a smal peice of Comon Land lying on the North Side of the road that Leads from the town to the Midle Precinct adjoining to half an acre of Land that Appertains to the Ministry in S^d Midle Precinct & find it to be one Acre & forty pole So that the whole of the s^d Comon Lands that we are Impowred to devide as aboves^d is Eighty five Acres & Ninety Eight Poles which devided by 1160 the whole number of Rights in the same makes Eleven pole & 8/10th to each Right. And we have veiwed the s^d Parcellis of Land & Qualifyed the same in our Judgments & have Sett out to the body of the Town or the Two Lower Parrishes the whole of the fifty three Acres & one hundred & fifty three poles of Land herein above described lying in Samⁱ Stones plain so called being in our Judgments an Equivalent for the Seven hundred & ninety Rights which the s^d Inhabitants of the s^d Two Lower Parrishes have in the premises & we have laid out a Highway over the s^d Land that is now Sett out to the said Two Lower Parrishes of three poles wide beginning on the road that Leads to the midle Precinct near over against Nicholas Trask Dwelling House at Sixty three poles distance West northerly from the Easterly Corner of the premises & is thence Extended Southwesterly [79] Southwesterly on the premises to Boston Road at 57½ poles Distance from the afores^d

Easterly point of the Premises near Strong water Brook s^d highway being bounded at the four corners of it, and have also laid out or Sett out Eighteen Acres & Nineteen poles of the s^d Common Lands being the Westerly part of the land near the Butts called Verrys Plain & is devided from the remainder of that part of the premises by a bound on Boston Road that is Twenty Nine poles East northerly distance from the South westerly Corner of that part of the premises & by a Lane Extended from s^d bound North-westerly on the premises to a bound Standing between the premises & the Land of s^d bound Standing fourteen poles & 2/10 Easterly from a Sharp Corner of the premises, the s^d Eighteen Acres & 19 poles of Land together with the one Acre & forty poles of Land that is herein before Described lying on the North Side of the Road that Leeds thro the midle Precinct is in our Judgments an Equivalent for the midle precincts Two hundred & four Right & for the Propt^m of Dogg Pond Rocks fifteen Rights, & for the thirteen Rights & half allowed more that may Come in & We do by these presents order the same to be the second Devision, and we have Sett out the Easterly part of the s^d Common Lands near the Butts called Verrys plain which contains Twelve Acres & forty Six poles to the Village & Royal side Proprietors as an Equivalent in our Judgments for their one hundred & thirty Seven Rights & half, and we do by these presents order the Same to them for their full proportion of and in the premises. In Wittnefs of all that is Written in this and the Two foregoing pages, We have sett hereunto our Hands the 31st Day October in the Sixth year of his maj^{ty} Reign Anno Domini 1732

Henry Herrick Jun^r } Com^{tee}
 Benjamin Balch }
 Robert Woodberry }

[80] Att A Meeting of the Grand Comittee Impowred to receive Claims of such as have not before made out their right Mett at M^r Pratts after Sevr^l Adjournments on y^e 22^d Jan^y 1732/3 Cap^t Osgood Cap^t Putman M^r Lindall Maj Eppes Col^o Barton Maj Plaisted M^r Procter B Lynde Jun^r

- A Right for the House that was John Taply's being
a Dwelling House as ~~by~~ Deed to Curtis, & Curtis
Evidence & is a Right for 1702 claimed by Capt
Higginson 1
- John Beckit for a Common Right for an House of his
Grandfathers near the Ship Yard in w^{ch} Sarah
Bartol Lived & was a Dwelling House 1702 1
- Skelton Felton for another House on Sheldon
Land for 1702 proved by Tarbol & Felton 1
- John Southwick Sen^r Estate a Right for a Cottage
some rods back of y^e House he lived & Died in
& is in y^e possession of Eben^r Southwick proved
by Gaskil & Eaborn 1
- Att A Meeting of the s^d Comitte of Claims met by
Adjournment on Oct^r 1733 J^a Lindal Esq^r Capt Osgood
Dan^l Eppes Esq^r Tho^s Barton Esq^r J Plaisted Mr Procter
B Lynde Jun^r
- A Right for Nath Tomkins Estate for his Fathers
House 1702 proved by Evidence of Reed &
Gaskill 1
- a Right for a s^m House by Gyles being formerly
Ruth Lowther proved by Eidence of Goldthrite
& Verry to be a Dwelling House 1
- A Right for a s^m House behind the Dwelling House
of Eleaz^r Lindsey Dec^d near the pond built before
1702 & was a Dwelling House in w^{ch} Nath^l
Whitmore lived 1
- A Right for the Place w^{re} an House stood in which
Tho^s Whittamore Lived being on the Land by
bests the Land being sometime since Grindsleets
who purchased it of Pudeators to be Allowed if
no Right Appears to be formerly Granted 1

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The Com^{rs} chosen & Appointed by the Proprietors to
receive & Enter the Rights & Claims that were not
Received having Attended y^t Service & Duly Enquired
& Examined into the Several Claimes, have received &
Do present the above Rights & those Entered in p^r 76

to y^e Proprietors, being all that appear fully proved
Feb 11: 1734

James Lindall	} Com ^{te}
Ben ^a Lynde Jun ^r	
Th ^o Barton	
Ichabod Plaisted	
Thorndike Procter	

[81] Att A Meeting of the Grand Com^{te} June 26:
1733 Capt osgood M^r Lindal Maj Eppes Col^o Barton
Maj Plaisted B Lynde J^r

At this meeting The Com^{te} Signed Deeds to Joseph Wilkins for a peice of the Comon Lands on stones plain where he has built an house on the road leading to the Midle Precinct meetinghouse the s^d peice being about Eleven poles & Contain'd in the following bounds & Limits viz Southerly on the highway Leading to the Midle precinct Meetinghouse fifty Three foot then running Down Northerly 30 Deg^e East from the s^d Road four Poles near to the bank by Trask's way to his Mill & on the Eastern Side Three poles running down to s^d bank The breadth thereof fifty Three foot as at the front or on the road, the s^d peice Lying on the North side of the afores^d Road To have & To hold to him the s^d Joseph Wilkins his heirs & afsigns forever & in their Capacity the Comitee Engaged to Warrant & Defend the s^d Wilkins against the Claims of any #sons thereto & the s^d Wilkins paid for the same the Sum of Sixteen pounds

The Comitee also Signed a Deed to Daniel Purrintun for the Consideration of Twenty Seven pounds of a smal peice of Comon Lands over against Geo. Smith's in the Angle by the Country Roads being the East Angle of Stones plain so called containing Eighteen poles bounded as followeth Southerly on boston road three poles & thre Quarters Westerly five poles on the Proprietors Lands Northerly Three poles & one Quarter on the s^d Proprietors Lands to the road then Northeasterly on the road Leading from the Midle precinct Meetinghouse toward the stone Bridge five poles & half, with the Privileges belonging

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitee July 9: 1733

Mr Lindal Maj Eppes Col^o Barton Maj Plaisted Mr Procter B Lynd^e J^r

The Comte at this Meeting Signed a Deed to the Wid^e of Fr^e Procter viz for Twenty four pounds, for a peice of the Comon Lands in Salem being laid out in that part of the Comons on the South Side of Boston road leading to the Midle precinct Meeting house containing Eighteen poles bounded as followeth Northerly on the road leading to the Midle precinct Three poles Easterly on the Comon Lands Six poles & Westerly on s^d Comons Six poles & Southerly on the Comons Three poles being on a Square together with all the priviledges thereunto belonging

The s^d Comit^e also Signed a Deed to Isaac Meachum for ye Consideration of Thirty pounds, of a certain peice or Parcel of Land lying in salem afores^d a litle beyond the Town Bridge on the North Side of the road where the s^d Meachum has built a shop containing ab^t Seventeen poles & an Eight & is bounded [82] And is bounded as followeth viz Southerly on the Road or Highway fifty Two feet then running down on the Northwest side by Comon Lands Six poles in Length & on the South East Side by Comon Lands where it measures from the front of s^d Land or highway five poles to the Edge of the bank Keeping its breadth thro the whole, the northerly bounds being near the bank The front of s^d Land beginning four foot to the Northward of the Southermost part of the House frame the s^d Meachum hath lately Erected so as to leave the Highway four pole wide from the Stone wall on the other Side of the road

Also a Deed was drawn & sign'd sometime after To Ezekiel Goldthrite mason of a Certain peice of Comon Land lying in the midle precinct being part of the Comons Lying on the North Side of the road leading over Stones plain to the s^d Midle precinct Meetinghouse containing about one Quarter of an Acre of Land be it more or lefs contained within the following Boundaries viz Easterly on Joseph Wilkins Land measuring four pole to the road & from thence being Wilkins Southwest Corner bound to run on the road leading to the Meetinghouse in the precinct one hundred & six foot, thence running down Northeasterly four pole on the proprietors

Land, from which place its one hundred & Six feet Streight over to Wilkin's North West Corner bound, & then running from the afores^d four pole at the west End five pole further on a Streight Line toward the bank & from s^d bound at the North West Corner to run over to the s^d Wilkins Northwest Corner bound afores^d for forty Two pounds

Also a Deed was drawn & Signed to Peter Twifs Jun^r for a s^m peice of the Common Lands near Strong Water Brook on the Left hand of the road from s^d brook leading to Boston Road containing about Eight Poles as contained in the following bounds viz on the North East Side Two Pole by the road, thence on Boston road, Three poles being the Northwesterly Side—Thence Southwesterly Two poles & Ten feet to Boyces Corner—Thence Northerly Three poles & five feet by the bank of the brook to the first bound, leaving the Country road by Geo: Smiths five Poles & half Wide & the Boston road betwixt Purrintum & s^d Twist four poles—it being the place where s^d Twist hath Erected a Frame. & the same was sold him for Ten pounds w^{ch} sum was paid July 19th 1735

[83] Blank [84] Att A Meeting of the Grand Comittee Impowred to Receive Claims & to call all Meetings at M^{rs} Pratts on y^e 8th oct^o 1733

Agreed & ordered That there be a meeting of the Prop^r of the Common & undevided Lands in Salem on day y^e day of Oct^o at Two-Clocke in After noon at the Townhouse in Salem viz to receive the report of a Comte chosen to audit & Examine the acc^{ts} of the old grand Comte

this entry is wrong ye Com^{te} having after agreed not to have a Meeting

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comittee Impowred to call all meetings of the Proprietors, on y^e 21 Jan^{ry} 1733/4 Capt Putman J^s Lindall Esq^r Maj Eppes Col^o Barton Maj Plaiisted M^r Procter B Lynde Jun^r

Agreed & ordered that there be a meeting of the Proprietors of the Common & undevided Lands in Salem on Monday the Eleventh of February next at one of the Clock at the Townhouse in Salem To Consider & Accept the Return of the Comittee of the Claims of

Several Persons whose rights have been received and made out to the Grand Comittee

To Consider how many Acres may be a proper Allowance for a Right upon Dog pond Rocks

To Consider & Act on the report of the Comittee who were desired to Enquire into the Affair of Strattons Grant, & to do such things as shall be thought proper thereon with regard to the Village & Royal Side Proprietors

To Consider whether the Proprietors will allow & Sett off to the village & Royal side Proprietors Seventy Acres of land out of the Three Hundred Acres at Dog pond Rocks in Consideration of the Grant to Capt Lawthorp now Claimed by the Chevers w^{ch} was laid out in the Comons on the other side of Ipswitch River to the Village Proprietors—The s^d Seventy Acres to Adjoyn to their Comons on Bartholomew Rocks.

To receive the report of the Comittee appointed some time Since to Examine the Acc^{ts} of the Grand Comittee

To Consider of making Allowances to the Grand Comittee and also to the Clerk

To Consider the Petition of Mefs^r Clough & Goodhue for for a peice of Land betwixt Isaac Meachum & S Popes Jun^r Land on the terms Agreed on by the Grand Comittee also the Petition of Sam^l Pope Jun^r for a peice of the Comons near to the same

W^o ord^r of the Com^{rs}

Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Prop^{rs} Clerk

[85] Att A Meeting of the Generall Proprietors of all the Comon Lands in Salem at the Townhouse on Monday y^e 11th Feb: 1733/4 s^d Meeting being legally Warned

Voted That Col^o Barton be Moderator for this Meeting

A List of the claims of Severall Rights as made out before the Grand Comittee was read and Voted that the Several Claims for Rights in s^d List be accepted & Allowed & Recorded Excepting Mr Neals & on the Entry of Free Comonage for Mr Neal the vote was put whether Mr Neals heirs be allowed a Comon right for s^d Entry it was voted in the negative for that there was a Comon

Right Allowed afterw^d for the House the s^d Neal was y^e owner of according to the vote of the town for 1702.

Voted That Six Acres & half be allowed for a Common Right upon Dog pond Rocks on the Consideration of the report of the Committee upon Strattons Grant

Voted that if the Proprietors of the Village & Royal Side do proceed to Improve & Fence in with stone wall their Commons on the North Side of Ipswitch River this Propriety will Defend & maintain them in the Possession of the Same, & in case it Should be taken from them to allow them for the Land & the value of the Wall.

Voted That Seventy Acres at Dog pond Rocks Adjoining to Bartholmews Rocks be allowed & Sett off to the Village & Royal Side Propriet^r in consideration of the Claims of the Chevers on Capt Lawthorpes Grant, which was Accounted to them in part of their Commons on the North side of Ipswitch River & that Mess^r Miles Ward Sen^r Tim^o Pickering with Two others that may be chosen by the Village & Royal sides Prop^r be a Committee fully Impowred to Measure And Stake out the s^d Seventy Acres, & if the s^d Committee cant Agree they are to chuse an Indiferent person to be an Umpire, they or the maj^r part of them to determine the Laying out & make return thereof to this Propriety at the next meeting.

The report of the Committee to Audit the Acc^t of the old Grand Comittee was read & accepted & voted the Acc^t as far as they were Settled be allowed

Voted That M^r Miles Ward & the Two Persons to be chose by the Village Proprietors as above (if y^e s^d persons are not Concerned in y^e Rights at Dog pond Rocks) be a Com^{te} to lay out at Dog pond Rocks the Twenty five Rights allowed there at Six Acres & half to a Right

Voted That there be an allowance made & hereby is Granted to the Grand Committee for there past Services from the beginning to this time half an Acre of the Common Lands (for Two house Lotts, on the mill plain, to be laid out next to Eleaz : Popes Lott to be Eight poles in front & Ten Deep to be Measured & Staked out by M^r Miles Ward M^r Preson & M^r Pickering or any Two of them, & The Committee to have their Interest in their s^d Lotts according to their respective Services.

[86] Voted That the Clerk of this Propriety be allowed five pounds for his Service to this time

On the Petition of Mefsⁿ Clough & Goodhue for a peice of the Comons by Isaac Meachum where Ben^a Buxton erected a Barn

Voted That they shall have the Land betwixt Isaac Meachum & Sam^l Pope Jun^r They paying Thirty five shillings $\frac{1}{2}$ pole for the same, The s^d Land to begin one pole to the Northwest of the Land on which Sam^l Popes Jun^r Shop Stands

on the Petition of Sam^l Popes Jun^r for a peice of the Comons where he has built a Shop voted that he shall have the Lands to begin from Clough & Goodhue Grant & the same to be measured & Sett off to him he paying Thirty five Shill $\frac{1}{2}$ pole for the same for the use of the Proprietors

Voted that Mefsⁿ Ward Prefson & Pickering be the Comitte to Measure & Stake out the Lands Agreed to be sold to Mefsⁿ Clough & Goodhue & Sam^l Pope Jun^r & that the Grand Comitte or y^e maj^r Part make legall Conveyances to the s^d Persons of the said Lands

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitte at M^r Pratt's in Salem Feb: 11: 1734/5 Present the whole Comtt^e M^r Lindal Capt Osgood Capt Putman D Eppes Esq^r Col^o Barton Maj Plaisted Mr Procter B Lynde Jun^r

James Lindall Esq^r Acc^o of Charges & payments to the Lawyers on Moulton Suit am^o to allowed Col^o Barton
 Acc^o D^o besides the Execution he rec^d 4 9 0
 M^r Manning Acc^o of Ditto am^o 3 11 10

ordered that the Clerk pay & Satisfy the above s^d Sums.

ordered that there be paid y^e Comitte y^t Laid out Clough & Goodhue Lands 24/ for y^r Time &c 1 4 0

The Comt^r at their meeting 18 feb: 1734/5 Signed a Deed to Mefsⁿ Clough & Goodhue for the Consideration of Seventy Seven pounds for a peice of the Comon Lands in Salem on y^e Hill Entring on the plain near the Town bridge betwixt the Land of Isaac Meachum & Sam^l Pope Jun^r as it was Laid out by a Com^{tee} & the return on

file, & begins at a Stake one pole Distance Northwestly from Sam^u Popes Shop & running on the Road Ten poles & half to a Stake near the Corner of Meachums House from thence North Easterly five poles & half to a Stake on y^e brink of the bank from thence Southeasterly Eleven poles & three Quarters to another Stake on the brink of the bank near the Northwest Corner of s^d Popes shop & from thence Two poles & half to the Stake where it began the s^d peice containing about forty four poles

[86] At the Afores^d Meeting The Comitte also Signed Deeds to Sam^l Pope Jun^r for fourteen pounds Ten Shillings for a S^m peice of the Comon Lands on the Hill Enting on the plain near the Town bridge containing about Eight poles & half of Land bounded Southeasterly on the road & there Measuring from Clough & Goodhue four poles & an half to a Stake & from thence Northeasterly one pole & four feet to another Stake & from thence Nor Northwesterly by the bank four poles & an half to another Stake being a bound betwixt this Land & the Land of Clough & Goodhue & from this Stake on a Streight Line to the place of the first Stake on Clough & Goodhue's Land, as the same was Laid out by the Comitte chose for that Service

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comittee at M^r Pratt's on y^e 26 day Feb^r 1734/5 J^s Lindal Esq^r Capt Osgood Col^o Eppes Col^o Barton Maj Plaisted Mr Procter B. Lynde Jun^r The s^d Comitte being Impowred to Call meetings

Agreed & ordered That there be a meeting of the Proprietors of the Comon & Undevided Lands in Salem on Monday ye 31 day of March next at one of the Clock in the Townhouse in Salem viz

To Consider of Making an Allowance to y^e Village Proprietors for the Land taken from them by Lawthropps Grant The Comitte Appointed for that Service at the last Meeting having not Agreed on the same. To Direct the Comittee how they shall Discharge the Execution ag^t the Proprietors on the Suit of Ebenz: Moulton

To Consider whether it may not be proper for the Proprietors to Engage to Secure the Proprietors of y^e Several parts & peices of Land as devided unto the

Several Devissions in their fencing in their Particuler Propertys

To Consider of making some further Allowance to the Proprietors of the rights laid out at Dog pond Rocks on acc^o of the meanes of that Land

To Consider of the Petition of Enos Pope for a sū peice of Land on which he hath sett his Barn also the Petition of the Wid^e Nath Tompkins for the Land where she lives And also to Consider of making some Alteration in the Grant for an Allowance to the grand Comitte at the last meeting

per ord^r of the Comte
Ben^d Lynde Jun^r Prop^{ty} Clerk

Coppys of this Warrant were
put up in 4 places in y^e Several
parts of ye Town as usual

B L.

[87] Att A Meeting of the Generall Proprietors of all the Comon & Undevided Lands in Salem mett at the Town house in Salem on Monday ye 31 : March 1735

Voted That James Lindall Esq^r be Moderator for the present Meeting

Voted That the Seventy Acres sett off to the Village proprietors be sett of to them at the Western End of Dog pond rocks, which Land shall be in Leiu of the Land the Chevers have taken from them on acc^o of a Grant formerly made to Capt Lawthrop

Voted That the Comitte Satisfy the Execution that Eben^t Moulton hath against the Proprietors in Twenty p^{ts} in Bills of Credit in Leiu of the Comon right he hath obtained

The vote being put Whether the Proprietors would at this time Engage for to Secure the fencing of ye Several Devissions it pased in the Negative

Voted That the remaining Two hund & Thirty Acres of Land at Dog pond rocks be allowed unto & Sett of for the Twenty five rights already allowed at Dog pond rocks, & to Sam^l Aborn who by his proof of a Cottage right in Glashouse feild, is allowed a right with the afores^d 25 Rights

on the Petition of Enos pope for a S^m peice of the Comon Lands wher[e] he hath build a barn above the Town bridge containing ab^o five pole Voted That the s^d Enos pope may have the s^d five pole of Comon Land petitioned for he paying for the Same five pounds According to Agreement.

Whereas there was Granted to the Grand Comitte at the last General propriet[ors] meeting on ye 11 : Feb^r : 1733/4 as an allowance for their past Services half An Acre of the Comon Lands on the mill plain to be laid out next to Eleaz^r Popes by a Comitee then chose & the Grand Comitte to have their shares in the Same according to the respective time of Service which Grant by reason of Several Minors & others Interested therein is rendred of litle value, if not almost under the present Circumstances, unfit for Improvement Wherefore Voted That the half Acre of Land as above be Sold to the Highest Bidder on the Second Monday of April next at Two of the Clock P M The mony arising on s^d Sale to be Distributed to those who Served on the Grand Comitee & assigns, or the Legal representatives of those who are Dead & That the Grand Com^{te} or maj^r part make a deed of Sales in the name of this propriety for the Same

mem^o The above Land Sold at time
& place by Sam Stone vendue mast^r
Eastⁿ Lott to J. Lindal for £39 =
Westⁿ Lott to B Lynde for 42^{ll} =

Att A Meeting of the Grand Comitte at M^r Pratts on 30 may 1735 Whereas Eben^s Moulton in behalf of Jn^o Moulton hath put in his Claim to the Grand Comitee for a Comon right for an house built by John Moulton ab^o 1708 wherefore for preventing a Law Suit the partys have Agreed that on the payment of Ten pounds in Bills of Credit to the s^d Moulton, The s^d Moulton Shal Relinquish all his right & Claim to the s^d Comon right in Wittnefs hereof the partys have hereunto Sett their hands this 30 may 1735
Copy of the Agreement

Signed by y^e partys

Ben^a Lynde Jun^r in
behalf of y^e Comt.
Ebenezer Moulton

[88] At A Meeting of the Grand Comittee at M^r Pratts on the on the 20 Aug 1738 The s^d Comittee being Impowred to call all Meetings of the Proprietors of the Comons in General The Major part present

Agreed & ordered that there be a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Comon & Undevided Lands in Salem on Tuesday the 5th of September next at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon at the Town house in Salem to choose a Comittee to Enquire what Encroachments are made on the Propriety, & also what Lands remain to the Proprietors That are not Sett off, & make report as soon as possible

Also to Impower the Grand Comittee to Dispose of such of the lands as the Proprietors Shall Judge necessary at their s^d Meeting & Direct That the monys Arising by such Sale be Devided to the several Propriety's according to their Interest Also to Give order concerning the monys in Stock or bonds belonging to the Propriety

¶ Order of the Comittee

Ben^a Lynde Jun^r Prop^m Clerk
Coppys of this Notification
were put up in 4 places in y^e
Several parts of the Town as Usual

B Lynde J^r

Att a Meeting of the Generall Proprietors of the Comon & undivided Lands in Salem mett att the Town house in Salem Sep^r 5th 1738

Voted Tim^o Lindall Esq^r Moderator of this Meeting

Voted Ichabod Plaisted Clark for this Meeting

Voted That there be a Committe of three persons Chose to enquire what Enchrochments are made on this Propriety and also what Lands remains to this Propriety that is not sett of & to make report at the Adjournment of this meeting

Voted That M^r Tim^o Pickering James Lindal Esq^r & Cap^t Joseph Hathorn be the s^d Committe

Voted That this Meeting be Adjorned to tuesday the 19th of this Instant at two a Clock in the afternoon

Att An Adjournment of the afores^d Meeting to Tuesday the 19th Sep^r 1738

The Com^{rs} Appointed to look after Enchrochm^{ts} made report of Several ¶sons that had Trespasf'd & Encroached on peics of Land, upon the reading of which Voted That the s^d Committe be desired to make further Enquirey into the

[89] the s^d Encroachments & Agree or Compound with such ¶sons as they shall think proper for the sale of such Lands or any Other Lands that they may find Encroached or Trespasf'd on — The s^d Com^{rs} are also further Impowred to Agree for the Sale of the Lands ¶ Buxton or any other Vacant Land contained in s^d report

Voted That the Grand Committe be Impowred to pafs Deeds for the Sale of the Land agreed on by the afores^d Com^{rs}

Voted That the Clark of the Proprietors call in the money out upon Bonds & Sue the Bonds of those who do not pay in the Same

Att A Meeting of the Grand Com^{rs} att M^r Pratts on the 31st December 1739 present as ¶ margin.

J^a Lindall Esq^r

Ben^a Lynde J^r Esq

Capt Osgood

Tho^s Barton Esq^r

Jch^a Plaisted Esq^r

Bargained & Sold by Vertue of the Vote of the Proprietors at their Meeting by Adjournment on the 19th Sept 1738 to the following persons. viz Jonathan Buxton Robt Wilson Jun^r William Osborn, David Foster Jun^r Sam^l Cook Jun^r & John Felton Jun^r all of Salem a Certain peice or Tract of Land on Lands lying in Salem afores^d by Joseph Buxtons on both sides of the old way leading to the River head, leaving the way Two pole wide through the same bounded Westerly on the Lotts formerly purchased of Danⁿ Eppes Esq^r Easterly partly on the North feild Fence & partly on the afores^d Road in the following Manner viz to Jon^a Buxton for the sum of Twelve pounds five shillings Twenty four poles of Land on the West of y^e Road & at the head of Mallachy Feltons Land & Sixty Six poles at the Front of his Fath^r Jos Buxtons land & next to him Northerly on the same side of the way to Rob^t Wilson Jun^r for thirteen pound Ninety Eight poles of Land lying at the head of the Lott belonging to the Estate of his Fath^r

Isaac Wilson dec^d & next to him northerly on the same side of the way to William Osborn for the sum of Thirteen pound Ninety five pole of Lands lying at the head of his own Lott & next to him unto David Foster Jun^r on the same Side of the way for the sum of Thirty pound Ten shilling one Acre & fifty Seven pole of Land lying at the head of his Father & John Waters Lotts And unto Sam^l Cook J^r Six p^d fifteen Shil^{ts} apeice of Land lying at the head of his Lott qt about forty Eight pole & on y^e s^d Westly side of the road and unto John Felton for the sum of Twenty Nine p^d one Acre & quarter of Land lying on the east side of the afores^d Road & abutts partly on his Lott in the Northfeild^r & partly on Swinertons Lot in s^d Field—To have & to hold the s^c peice or parcel of Land to them their heirs & Afsigns respectively in Severalty according as is herein afore described

[90] Accot of the years that Each of the Grand Comitte served from 1713 to 1733 part of the time nothing being Done Also each Person share of the mony arising from the Sale of the Two House Lotts Granted & sold at Vendue Apr^l 1735: viz.

		To Jam ^r Lindal Esq ^r No 1	£39	0	0
		Ben ^a Lynde J ^r Esq ^r No 2	41	—	—
			80	0	0
J L:	Col ^o Browne Hires	17 y ^{rs}	8	10	0
J L	W ^m Hirst Esq ^r	4 y ^r	2	0	0
	S Sewall Esq ^r	12 y ^r	6	0	0
B L	Jos Wolcot Esq ^r	16 y ^r	8	0	0
	Capt S Gardner	11 y ^r	5	10	0
y ^{ts} paid by	{ Capt Peter osgood	22 y ^r	11	0	0
B. Lynd	{ Capt Jon ^a Putman	22 y ^r	11	0	0
J L	Capt Walt ^r Price	6 y ^r	3	0	0
J L	Capt T Flint	8 y ^r	4	0	0
J L	Capt W Pickering	1 y ^r	—	10	0
			59	10	
J L	Jam ^r Lindal Esq ^r	14 y ^r	7	0	0
J L	M ^r J ^a Houlton	2 y ^r	1	0	0

p ^d B Lind	Dan ⁿ Eppes Esq ^r	5½ y ^r	2	15	0
B L ^a	B Lynde Esq ^r	5½	2	15	0
J L	Tho ^a Barton Esq ^r	5½	2	15	0
	Sam ^a Barnard Esq ^r	1 y ^r ½	0	15	0
	Mr B Flint	½ y ^r	—	5	0
⌘ B Lynde	Ich ^a Plaisted Esq	2½ y ^r	1	5	0
	Mr Tho Procter	2½ y ^r	1	5	0
			19	15	0
otherside			59	10	0
			79	5	—
Selling adjusting & Entering same 15 /			15	—	—
			80	—	—

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[98] Salem N Engl^d 1738Proprietors in General of Salem
Common Lands Dr

To their Acc ^o of Deb ^t brought from p ^a 73	£145	3	4
To pd Sam ^a Stone Vendue mast ^r			
Selling Land of Grand Com ^{te}	2	0	—
To pd Mr Miles Ward & oth ^{rs} Laying out Land	1	4	0
	148	7	4

To my Comitions for receiving &c 300 ⁿ as ⌘ Contra 6 ^a ⌘ ^r	7	10	0
To Nich ^o Trask for Services	—	10	0
To receiving furth ^r Sum of 133 ^l for land & Rent &c	3	6	6
	£159	13	10

To pd M ^{rs} Pratt Expences fr ^o 1744-1750	4	10	—
	164	3	10

p ^d $\pounds$ wall acc ^o	To pay the Proprietors			
	Great Pasture for 790 Rights	4/6 ^d		
$\pounds$		177	15	0
p ^d $\pounds$ Prescot	31 10/. Do			
	Proprietors midle Precinct			
	204 Rights 4/6 $\pounds$	45 ^o	18	0
p ^d 6 /6 Trs Col. M ^r King	24-12 pd			
	Village Proprietors 137 $\frac{1}{2}$ Do			
	[Rights] 4/6 ^d	30	18	9
Dog Pond Rocks Rights	28 $\frac{1}{2}$ —4/6 ^d	6	8	3
at 4/6 ^d $\pounds$ 1160 Rt ^r		261 : 0 : 0	261	- -
			425	3 10

1777 Generall Proprietors of the
Common Lands in Salem

Dr

To Services as Clerk 44 years ; keeping the books & the Proofs of the Rights &c during which time was obliged to attend the Comitees with the book in 1738, 1739 — also in 1742 — also in the year 1748 & 1749, also for a new List 1762 — besides perticular Persons, Searching for old Rights for which took nothing — being for s ^d 44 years 12/ $\pounds$ Lm	26	8	0
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To Charge drawing Writts &
Sumons to Keep alive M^r Prescots
bond

7 4

To Comittions receiving £128 0/.
O Ter or 18 = 1/. 8 6

To Proportion^e the Ballance
to y^e sev^{ri} Divisions now much
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	326	1	6
1739 By Notes &c from Felton Foster Buxton Wilson & for a peice of Land up by Jos Buxton Each Side road	104	-	-
	430	1	6
1744/5 By Jon ^a Trask 3 y ⁿ Rent to June 1743	3	-	-
	433	1	6
By M ^r Prescot for Land on w ^{ch} Tompkins H ^o Stands this yet outstanding & so not Credited	0	-	-

Salem May 16 : 1750 Rec^d wth Benj^a Lynde Esq^r for
the foregoing acc^{ts} & on his paying the Several Propriety's
the Sums Set to them respectively on the other Side, their
will remain in his hands Seven pounds Seventeen
Shillings & 8^d old Ten^r besides a bond for thirty pounds
old Ten^r due from M^r Prescot

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allowance for Depretiation 50 - -	136	9	8
Is Lawfull	18	3	8

The above Acco^t bro^t to L. M.

EDITORIAL NOTE. On fly-leaves are written an index of names and also Treasurer's memoranda, the larger number of entries being unitemized expenses of "the Grand Comitie." All items of value are here inserted.

To paper for y ^e Proprietors book	
Cuting & makeing	£0 3 0
To makeing an Alphabett to y ^e proprietors book	10 0
To Copia Trask writt being Long 2 ^a and for Sundry other Copias in Trasks	
Caufe, & Comitees power & c ^a	10 0
To paper Expended	2 -
Copia of all the proprietor to W ^m & Locker	10 -

D^r the 17th Jan^a 1718/9 to writeing 3 notificati^{ns} and posting them up on Salem the Vilage & m^r prescots meeting houe for a proprietors meeting on the first munday in feb 1718/9

0-5-0

To my attendance at y^e meeting & Entring y^e

Voats 0-4-0

To a Copia of y^e Comities power & c^a 0-1-0

To paper for bills bonds and Receipts & c^a for

7 year 0-10-0

Nouember 30th 1713 Expended att m^r Pratts & the Comitte [torn]

June 27 1715 Ditto Expended 2^a 9^d: To Treeting m^r Skiners Jury 9^a 6^d

Novemb^r 8. 1715 Treeting y^e Jury [torn]

paid m^r Prat 6th 18^a 0 2 Aprill 1716

Reced 58^a 11^d In ful to y^e 16th day of february 1720/21

John pratt [autograph]

Expences att m^r John Prats Grand Comity 24 July 1727

£ 0-3-0

To Expences att M^r Pratt Jan^y 18 1732 £ 0-4-0

SALEM AND BOSTON CUSTOM HOUSE RECORDS OF THE PRE-REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD.

The official records at the Custom House in Salem, and also those at Boston, disappeared during the Revolution. It has been very generally supposed that the Boston records were taken to Halifax in March, 1776, at the time of the evacuation of Boston, and that from Halifax they were probably sent to London, and that the Salem records may have disappeared at about the same time. The correspondence which is here printed, shows that these interesting papers have not been found either at Halifax or London and, in the case of the Salem Custom House, it is fair to assume that the records may have been dispersed at the time of the great fire in October, 1774, which caused the destruction of the Custom House. Several years ago Mr. A. Frank Hitchings, of the Salem Custom House, found in private custody a letter-book containing official copies of correspondence conducted by the Commissioners of Customs at Boston, during the period of 1772-1774. This volume probably was the same letter-book which some years afterwards was found at the "Ferncroft Inn", Danvers, and which is now at the Boston Custom House. Mr. Hitchings, having made copies of such of the letters as related to the Salem Custom House, now furnishes the following correspondence bearing upon the destruction of the Custom House in 1774:

GENTLEMEN :

We are sorry to inform the Honorable Board of the great calamity which happened in this Town early this morning, a Fire broke out about Two O'clock in a wood House belonging to Col Frye which raged with so much violence that it destroyed ten Dwelling Houses and a

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Large Meeting House besides several Stores, Shops and Barns. The Custom House was soon pulled down in order to stop the spreading of the Flames which had already reached it and had on that side the desired effect. We have preserved the Chest and we hope most of the Books and Papers altho' from the rapid progress of the fire and the general confusion which reigned it was not possible to save them from being dispersed as to put it out of our power to ascertain at present what is missing. We are collecting them together as fast as possible into the Cashiers late office in the House rented by the Honorable Board where we think it best to remain till we have your Honours Directions to provide another office.

We are, Gentlemen, &c. &c.

Custom House, Salem.

6th October 1774.

GENTLEMEN :

Your letter of the 6th instant having been laid before us acquainting us that the Custom House was pulled down in order to prevent the spreading of the Fire which took in the neighborhood thereof on the morning of that Day, that you had removed the Kings chest with the Books & Papers belonging to the office that were saved, into the late cashiers office, in the House rented by the Board at Salem, where you should remain till you have our directions to provide another office. We acquaint you in answer thereto that we consent that the Ho. in which we held our Board at Salem, be used as a Custom House till you shall receive our further orders.

We are yr Loving Friends

Custom Ho. Boston
11 October 1774

W. BURCH
H. HILTON
C. PAXTON

In March, 1882, A. Augustus Smith of Salem, wrote to the Department of State, at Washington, suggesting that our Minister to England, James Russell Lowell, be requested to ascertain if the Custom House records of Salem

and Marblehead were in British custody at London. The letters of our Minister and of Lord Granville of the British Foreign Office, follow and are here printed for preservation and information.

Legation of the United States.

London, April 4th, 1882.

MY DEAR LORD GRANVILLE,

My Government has been informed that there is a tradition that the records of the Custom Houses of Marblehead and Salem, Massachusetts, up to the year 1776, were in that year carried off to Halifax by British officers and afterwards to England.

As these records would probably contain matter of local interest and historical value, the Secretary of State has requested me to make inquiries in regard to them in the proper quarter, with a view to obtaining their restoration, provided the British Authorities have no objection to relinquishing them. Under the circumstances, I shall be much obliged if you will cause inquiries to be made in order to ascertain whether these records are now in existence.

Faithfully yours,

J. R. LOWELL.

Lord Granville presents his compliments to Mr. Lowell, and in compliance with the request contained in his note of the 4th ultimo has the honor to inform him that he has caused enquiry to be made relative to certain Records of the Custom Houses at Marblehead and Salem, up to the year 1776, which are supposed to have been removed by British Officers to Halifax and subsequently to this country, and for the restoration of which the Government of the United States have signified their wish.

Lord Granville has been informed in reply that diligent search has been made in the Admiralty Papers deposited in the Public Record Office, as well as among the other Records under the care of the Master of the Rolls, but

that no trace of any documents of this nature can be found in these Departments.

Foreign Office,
May 4th, 1882.

In January, 1903, the Essex Institute obtained through Hon. William H. Moody, Secretary of the Navy, the following information from our Consul-General at Halifax :

Consulate General of the United States,
Halifax, Nova Scotia, January 20, 1903.

Honorable David J. Hill,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

SIR :

In accordance with instructions contained in Department of State despatch No. 69, dated December 31, 1902, I have made careful inquiry concerning the records of the Custom Houses at Salem and Marblehead covering the Colonial period. I regret, however, to say that I have been unable to obtain any trace of these particular records.

The late Dr. Akins, formerly Commissioner of Records (a letter from whom was forwarded to the Department by Consul General Frye in despatch No. 84, dated October 1, 1890), began, in 1857, to arrange and schedule the papers and documents in the Provincial Building here. He spent many years in this work and seems to have had definitely in mind the possibility of finding such records, for the present Provincial Librarian, Mr. F. Blake Crofton, informs me that Dr. Akins told him that he had been unable to find any records of the character mentioned. Mr. Crofton states that he believes it would be "a forlorn hope" to search in Halifax for such records, but says that there is the bare possibility that they might be in either the Parliament Building, the Custom House, or the Court House.

Mr. Harry Piers, the Curator of the Provincial Museum and Librarian of the (Provincial) Scientific Library, informs me that he has practically made search in each of the above mentioned places; while he admits the

possibility that they may be in one of these buildings, he is very confident that a further search would be unproductive.

In this connection I beg to call to the attention of the Department the enclosed copies of a correspondence between one G. W. Murray and Colonel Edward Winslow, with reference to the records of the Boston Custom House, about which the Department made inquiry of this Consulate under date of September 15, 1890. These letters became known here only about two years ago. They seem to clearly establish that the records of the Boston Custom House were brought to Halifax, and the evidence is strong that these volumes were returned to Boston with the other records after the termination of the war.

If, however, such records were delivered to a duly authorized committee, as stated by Colonel Winslow, there should be, both in Boston and Halifax, some official record of such transfer and of what volumes were actually delivered.

Mr. Piers has promised to search the records of Nova Scotia for some mention of this transfer. If anything is discovered by him concerning this interesting matter, I shall be most pleased to communicate it to the Department.

In the Boston Sunday Herald of December 17, 1899, there is an account of the finding of what was claimed to be one of the missing volumes of Boston Custom House records, in the old "Ferncroft Inn," at Danvers, Massachusetts.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN G. FOSTER,
Consul General.

New York, 4th March, 1811.

SIR:

I have been informed that at the time Boston was evacuated the books of Probate were sent to Halifax by order of Gen. Howe; that you were at that period Register

of Deeds, and Foster Hutchinson, Esq., was Judge of Probate; that the books were put into trunks and sealed up by him and that you embarked in the vessel which conveyed them to Halifax; I am also informed that the Office of Probate and Register of Deeds, although under different officers, were at that time kept in the same apartment and that the books of Register of Deeds were not all shipped to Halifax, but that two or more volumes were taken away either by design or accident.

It appears that, shortly after the organization of the new Government, the late Judge Cushing made application by order of the Governor and Council for the records that had been taken away. This demand was not complied with until after the peace, when the books of Probate were returned, but not all the missing books of Register of Deeds. On a late application to the office at Halifax on this subject I am told that some years after the Probate books were returned to Boston, a gentleman of the name of Fitch found in a trunk belonging to him and containing old family plate two books marked on the back "Suffolk." This gentleman it seems left the colony shortly after and gave the books in charge of some person to be returned to Boston. We cannot ascertain whether the books so found were books of Probate or Register of Deeds and it is for the sake of obtaining distinct information on this important point that I now take the liberty of addressing you, as I understand you were in office at the time the books were found, and from that circumstance will recollect not only the remarkable fact of their being found by Mr. Fitch but also whether they were Register of Deeds and to whom that gentleman delivered them as there are two volumes of the Register of Deeds still wanting to complete the set in Boston. The object of this inquiry is to trace by whom they were delivered there in the hope of fixing this fact both as to the nature of the books and their delivery, that we may bring forth to public view and thereby restore a property to an ancient highly respectable loyalist family that is now unjustly withheld. Any light you can give as to the removal of these books and particularly the Register of Deeds or volumes found by Mr. Fitch; also who this Mr. Fitch was, where he now is or where his

descendants are; will confer a high and important obligation upon the unfortunate heirs who are now contending for their rights.

The subject will, I hope, be my apology for thus troubling you and I am, Sir,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. W. MURRAY.

COLONEL EDWARD WINSLOW,

St. John, New Brunswick.

[The original of which the foregoing purports to be a copy is understood to be in the possession of Rev. W. O. Raymond, St. John, N. B.]

Kingsland, New Brunswick, 7th April 1811.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 4th March from New York has been handed to me by General Coffin, and I regret that it is not in my power to give you full satisfaction upon a subject which cannot fail to excite considerable interest and concern. The following facts, however, adverted to in your letter are within my recollection.

When Boston was evacuated, F. Hutchinson, Esq., was Judge and I was Register of Probate for the County of Suffolk, and I was at the same time acting collector of the Customs for the port of Boston.

On the morning of the evacuation the public buildings were in the possession of a licentious rabble, the doors of the offices were forced and the records and papers were exposed to instant destruction. Having a party at my command and impressed with a due sense of the importance of preserving them, I found means to pack up and place on board a transport not only the records of the Probate Office, but also those of the Registry of Deeds and Custom House. The latter office had been peculiarly exposed having been occupied as a Military Guard Room the preceding night. That at that time Sam Fitch, Esq., who was Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty, had been several days embarked on board ship with his family, one

of whom (a very interesting daughter) was dangerously ill. That on our arrival at Halifax I made application to the Governor of the Province to take the books and papers into the protection of his Government. Accordingly a place was assigned them in the Surrogate's office in Nova Scotia under the care of the Surrogate Gen., Mr. Morris, reserving a right of access to them upon any emergent occasion by Judge Hutchinson who was to remain there.

The packages were at that time apparently in perfect good order, but whether every book (particularly of the Registry of Deeds Office) was included in the packages (formed amidst scenes of such confusion) it is impossible for me to say.

The anecdote respecting Mr. Fitch I have never heard mentioned, although I was upon terms of great intimacy with him and his family, nor do I conceive it probable that he should have encumbered himself with two large folio vols. of public records in which he had neither interest nor connection, and that at a time when he was sinking under pressure of domestic anxieties and afflictions: If such volumes were by any accident found in his possession, I should conjecture that they belonged to the Court of Vice Admiralty which was ex-officio in his charge.

I left Halifax with the King's Army and remained with it till the end of the war. Several applications were made for the restoration of the records which were rejected, but after the publication of the treaty they were delivered by Judge Hutchinson, under proper authority, to a committee appointed by Governor Hancock to receive them, safe and entire as I afterwards learned from the Judge. I believe a Mr. Kent who was at one time State Attorney was one of the Committee.

[The copy of letter in the Halifax Legislative Library, of which the foregoing is a copy, is unsigned; it purports, however, to be a copy of letter from Colonel Edward Winslow to G. W. Murray. A footnote states that the original is in the possession of Rev. W. O. Raymond, St. John, New Brunswick.]

EDITORIAL NOTE.

General Gage reached Boston in May, 1774, with instructions to enforce the odious Port Bill, and for that end to remove the Offices of His Majesty's Customs from Boston to Salem, so that the chief emporium of New England should become "an inland town",—this was Lord North's phrase,—"seventeen miles removed from any sea-port." Gage entered Salem with much pomp, June 2, 1774, and established headquarters at the Hooper House in Danvers, as the Salem Gazette of the day fully records, but it was not then the practice of the journals to devote much space to the minor details which give zest and value to the chronicles of our time. So it is not easy to learn just where the Customs Offices established or domiciled themselves. But the letter here printed for the first time indicates that some of them had secured lodgings near the scene of the great fire of October, 1774, and in the absence of further knowledge, it would be doing no violence to the probabilities to suppose that they occupied, for their place of business as a Custom House, the structure which was previously in use for that purpose by the Province. This was a rented structure, and seems to have been located on the north side of King's Street, later known as Old Paved Street and now as Essex Street, and this was the building torn down to stay the progress of the flames in their westerly direction. Streeter, in his "Salem before the Revolution" (see Hist. Coll. Essex Inst., Vol. xxxii, p. 62) places this building "nearly opposite our Barton Square Church" and adds: "His Majesty's Deputy Collector for the port was Richard Routh, a Tory, who fled to Halifax after the evacuation of Boston by the British Army in 1776. He was subsequently rewarded for his loyalty by being made Chief Justice of Newfoundland."

Salem was a very ancient port of entry, established at least as early as 1658, but never having a Government Building for its Custom House until 1819. Until then the Officers of the Customs accommodated themselves in rented quarters, as our officers of the Postal Service have always done (see Hist. Coll. Essex Inst., Vol. x, p. 61). In 1663, Hilliard Veren was Collector of the Port. In 1683, Marblehead, Beverly, Gloucester, Ipswich, Rowley, Newbury, and Salisbury were annexed, by order of the Court of Assistants, as members of the Port of Salem, and it was decreed that this Port and Boston were to be the lawful ports of entry in this colony, where "all ships and other vessels shall lade or unlade any of the Plantation's enumerated goods, or other goods from foreign ports, and no where else, on penalty of the confiscation of such ship or vessel, with her goods and tackle, as shall lade or unlade elsewhere."

MILITARY ASSOCIATION AT HAVERHILL, 1798.

We the subscribers desirous of improving ourselves in the military art & science of tactics do hereby agree to form ourselves into an association for that purpose & to be governed by such rules & regulations as shall, by a majority of said Association, be hereafter adopted.

Haverhill Oct. 30. 1798.

Isaac How	Moses Atwood
Henry West	William Greenleaf Jur.
James Brickett	Ichabod Tucker
Nath ^l Marsh	Daniel Swett
Israel Bartlet	Moses Marsh Jun ^r .
Nehemiah Emerson	David How
Henry Porter	Daniel Appleton
Bailey Bartlett	John A. Ayer
Tim ^o Osgood	James Ayer
James Duncan Jun ^r	Leonard White
Eph ^r Emery	Samuel Farrar
[Henry Bolles Jr. ?]	Peter Osgood
Cotton B. Brooks	Richard Kimball

[From Essex Institute Manuscript Collections.]

THOMAS GARDNER, PLANTER, AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

BY FRANK A. GARDNER, M.D.

(Continued from Vol. XXXIX, page 56.)

In her will dated Oct. 21, 1816, she gave to John Lowell Gardner and George Gardner, children of her son Samuel Pickering Gardner all of her "real estate in the town of Salem consisting of about one hundred and eleven acres of pasture situated in the westerly part of said town of Salem, and on the northerly side of the Salem turnpike, being the same pasture which formerly belonged to my late brother, John Pickering, deceased, to be equally divided between the said children in fee simple, and if either of them shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, such deceased child's share shall go to the survivor in fee simple," etc. To her grandson Henry Blanchard, she gave four hundred dollars. Eliza Cabot Blanchard, daughter of her late grandson Francis Blanchard, was given a feather bed. The remainder of the estate was given to her son, Samuel Pickering Gardner, who was also appointed executor.*

John Gardner died Oct. 27, 1805, aged 74.† His will, dated Jan. 21, 1794, contained the following bequests: to his wife Elizabeth, he left all of his "real Estates wheresoever they may be for and during the term of her Natural life, also all" of his "furniture, stock & farming utensils, upon the Premises." He directed his executor to put all the moneys which he was to receive from his personal estate out at interest, and to pay his wife the interest during her life, and to pay to said wife also, the interest received from debts due him. He gave to the children of his daughter Elizabeth Blanchard, the

* Essex Probate Records, book 402, leaf 379.

† Gravestone in the Wenham Burying-ground.

reversion "after the expiration of the Estate given to my wife" of all of his real estate in Wenham, Hamilton and Ipswich, together with his brick house in Salem, likewise the farming utensils and live stock. He gave to his son Samuel Gardner, all the rest of his estate, and appointed him executor.*

Henry Blanchard mortgaged his right to his grandfather's property, to his brother Francis, April 21, 1812, for \$2000,† and May 10, 1813, sold his right to his brother for \$1800.‡

Children :

197. ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 9, 1759§ (bap. Feb. 11||); d. June 24, 1816;¶ m. June 3, 1781.§ Dr. Samuel Blanchard. He was born in Boston on the 29th of February 1756, and studied medicine with General David Cobb, who was one of General Washington's aids. He was a surgeon in the army a short time, and afterwards surgeon of several privateers, but aside from this he never practised medicine as a profession. He was a merchant for several years in Salem and Baltimore, and died in Wenham (where he had lived many years) on the 4th of May, 1813.§ Children: 1. Henry, b. July 9, 1782; d. Dec. 29, 1826; unmarried. 2. Francis, b. Jan. 31, 1784; d. at Wenham, June 26, 1813; m. Aug. 29, 1808, wid. Mary Ann Lee, wid. of N. C. Lee, and daughter of Francis Cabot. They were the parents of the first Mrs. Robert C. Winthrop. Their daughter lived in the family of her uncle John Gardner until she married R. C. W. 3. George Frederick, b. at Baltimore, Dec. 24, 1786; d. at Baltimore, July 17, 1787. 4. Lucy, b. at Wenham, May 10, 1793; d. June 16, 1815; m. Mar. 24, 1814, Charles Henry Orne, s. of William Orne.§
198. JOHN, bap. Aug. 31, 1760;|| d. at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 10, 1792. He was a successful merchant in Charleston, S. C., where he lived about eight years.§
199. SAMUEL PICKERING, b. May 14, 1767 (bap. May 31); d. Dec. 18, 1843; m. Sept. 19, 1797, Rebecca Russell Lowell, dau. of Judge John and Sarah (Higginson) Lowell.** He graduated at Harvard College, July 15, 1786. He went to Charleston, S. C., the same year, and engaged in the mercantile

* Essex Probate Records, book 373, leaf 227.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 185, leaf 300.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 199, leaf 245.

§ Notes of Samuel P. Gardner, Esq.

|| Tabernacle Church Record, Salem.

¶ Gravestones in the Wenham Burying-ground.

** Lowell Historic Genealogy, p. 56.

business with his brother John. He remained there about eight months after his brother's death, when he returned to Massachusetts, and became an inhabitant of Boston, Aug. 8, 1793.*

To avoid the inconvenience of being mistaken for two other Samuel Gardners, he had his name changed by act of the General Court, Feb. 15, 1796. In December, 1800, he purchased of F. W. Geyer, a mansion house on Summer Street in Boston, on the present site of Hovey's store.† He made very extensive improvements upon this property, and laid out a garden that was particularly beautiful. He continued to reside there until his death which occurred Dec. 18, 1843.* His widow died May 11, 1853.‡ Children: 1. Elizabeth Pickering, b. Mar. 11, 1799§; d. Aug. 3, 1879; m. May 30, 1820, John C. Gray. No issue. 2. Mary Lowell, b. Jan. 12, 1802; d. Waltham, Aug. 5, 1854; m. Jan. 11, 1826, Francis Cabot Lowell, son of Francis Cabot and Hannah (Jackson) Lowell. Grandparents of Judge Francis Cabot Lowell. 3. John Lowell, b. Feb. 8, 1804; d. July 24, 1884; m. Oct. 4, 1826, at Salem, Catherine Elizabeth Peabody, dau. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Smith) Peabody. 4. Sarah Russell, b. Sept. 20, 1807; d. Sept. 23, 1893; m. July 3, 1837, Horace Gray. 5. George, b. Sept. 15, 1809; d. Dec. 19, 1884; m. Oct. 18, 1838, Helen Maria Read, dau. of James and Hannah (Palmer) Read. 6. Francis Lowell, b. Dec. 28, 1811; d. July 5, 1812.

142 Samuel Gardner, the oldest son of Daniel and Ann (Putnam) Gardner, lived on the ancestral farm in Danvers (now West Peabody).

The first office held by him was that of hogreeve, to which he was chosen March 9, 1761. He was one of the surveyors of highways in 1764, 1767 and 1786; and selectman and assessor in 1769 and 1787. In 1772 and 1773 he was chosen constable, and collector of taxes in 1785 and 1793. He served on the school committee in 1787 and 1793.

Various sums of money were paid to him from time to time for the use of his teams in repairing the highways.

* Notes of Samuel P. Gardner, Esq.

† Suffolk Registry of Deeds.

‡ Boston Records.

§ Lowell Gen.

He was taxed nearly every year from 1783 to 1790 for a "Fall Back Chaise" or a "Standing Top Chaise." May 5, 1800, he was appointed on a committee of three to sell the old road "from Curtis lane to Hezekiah Flint's."*

MILITARY.

He was probably the Samuel Gardner whose name was given as one of the commissioned officers of the First Regiment in Essex County in 1774.†

REVOLUTIONARY.

May 28, 1770, he was appointed on a committee of twelve to carry a protest against the tax on tea to every household, "and in Case any Person refuse to Sign as abovesaid he Shall be Looked upon as an Enemy to the Liberties of the People, and Shall have their Name Registered in the Town Book." He was a member of a committee of twelve chosen Feb. 2, 1778, to consider the "Articles of Confederation."*

REAL ESTATE.

Samuel Gardner inherited from his father, one half of the farm,‡ and purchased from the other heirs their interest in the share left to his brother John, after said John's decease.§ He sold forty-eight acres of this to Ezra Upton, July 9, 1768.|| In 1808 (April 14) he sold to his sons Asa and George the remainder of his real estate, at that time amounting to 150 acres, for \$4,200, retaining a mortgage of like amount upon the same. This mortgage was discharged Oct. 23, 1819, by John Gardner, Jun., administrator of the estate of Samuel Gardner deceased.¶

He sold to Benjamin Pickman, Dec. 12, 1803, two acres of salt marsh at Castle Hill, Salem. This was evidently the two acre lot owned by his father.** In 1768 he bought land of his uncle Samuel in the same locality,††

* Danvers Town Records.

† Essex Gazette, Oct. 16-25, 1774.

‡ Essex Probate Records, book 336, leaves 385-8.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 259.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 125, leaf 208.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 182, leaf 306, and book 183, leaf 237.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 174, leaf 71.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 137.

and transferred ten acres of salt marsh "near Castle Hill" to his sons when they purchased the farm in 1808.*

In June, 1792, he bought of Daniel Taylor, a lot of land "on the highway which leads from Salem to the North parish in Reading," containing about eight acres. This lot had previously belonged to Thomas Gardner (No. 121).†

Samuel Gardner married, first, Patty Williams, of Lynn, the certificate for which marriage was granted Dec. 20, 1762.‡ She died Feb. 28, 1765.‡ He married second, June 9, 1774, at South Danvers, Sarah Upton, daughter of William and Sarah (Herrick) Upton. She was born in North Reading, Nov. 20, 1755, and died in Danvers, Jan. 24, 1830.§ In her will dated the 13th of that month, she gave to her grandson Samuel Gardner, son of her deceased son John, the sum of \$1000, to be given to him when he reached his majority. To her daughter-in-law Ruth Coan, the mother of said Samuel, she left one dollar. She remembered her Walcott grandchildren as follows: to Elizabeth G. and Augustus C. she left \$100 apiece, to be given to them at the ages of 18 and 21 respectively; to Sally A., Samuel G. and Henrietta B. she gave \$100 to be divided between them, the son to receive his share at the age of 21, and his sisters at 18. All of the remainder of the property she gave to her children Asa Gardner and Sally Walcott, wife of Rev. Calvin Walcott.||

Samuel Gardner died Sept. 1, 1818, and was buried in the Pope burying ground in Pope's lane in West Peabody. He left no will. His son John Gardner, Jun. "Mariner," was appointed administrator, Dec. 1, 1818.¶ In the inventory dated Aug. 17, 1819, the estate (wholly personal) was valued at \$8,643.48. \$732.10 was due the estate, and \$671.51 was owed, leaving \$8,704.07 to be distributed. The widow was given \$2,901.35, and the remaining two-thirds was divided into four parts and given to John, Jun., Asa and George Gardner, and Sally Walcott, Oct. 5, 1819.**

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 182, leaf 306.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 156, leaf 61.

‡ Danvers Town Records.

§ Upton Memorial, p. 145.

|| Essex Probate Records, book 407, leaf 306.

¶ Essex Probate Records, book 11, leaf 62.

** Essex Probate Records, book 396, leaves 71 and 72.

Children :

200. SAMUEL, b. May 4* (bap. June 11†), 1775; d. Nov. 27, 1797.
201. JOHN, b. Mar. 16, 1777* (bap. Oct. 19†); d. Oct. 8, 1824; ‡ m. at Lynn, Apr. 25, 1822; § Ruth Galleucia, of Lynn; ¶ She m. for her 2nd husband, Peter Coan, in Lynn, May 20, 1827; § Child: Samuel, b. May 13, 1823; d. at Lynn May 27, 1887; m. in Lynn, Oct. 3, 1839, Mary Jane Granger, of Danvers. || John lived in Lynn. On June 4, 1846, his son Samuel mortgaged to James R. Adams, "the lot which I inherited from my father," on the Swampscott road. ¶ The son Samuel lived in Lynn and owned several lots of land on the Swampscott road near the sea. From one of the deeds we learn that in 1848, he used a building on one of the shore lots as a "restorator."** His uncle Asa held mortgages on some of these lots which were discharged later.††
202. ASA, b. Aug. 29, 1779,* (bap. Oct. 16, 1785†); d. Mar. 9, 1858; ‡ m. in Lynnfield May 29, 1817, Mary Ann Needham, of Lynnfield. He was chosen surveyor of highways in 1818, and field-driver in 1812 and 1819. He also served on the jury in the latter year.* In 1808 he purchased with his brother George, the homestead farm, and Oct. 14, of the same year they divided it between themselves. §§ He bought forty-eight acres of his sister Sally Walcott, July 22, 1835. || In addition to the above he owned many lots of land in this vicinity, and loaned money frequently on mortgages. Asa's widow conveyed the homestead to Bowman Viles, Oct. 18, 1871. ¶¶ The old lean-to house is still standing. Asa had no children.
203. GEORGE, b. Oct. 2* (bap. Oct. 16), 1781†; d. Feb. 13, 1821; m. May, 1805, Elizabeth Needham, dau. of Daniel Needham, of Lynnfield. He held several minor town offices, and served on the school committee in 1816, 1817 and 1819. He also served on the jury in the latter year. March 6, 1811, he was commissioned Captain in the 5th Regiment, M. V. M. Promoted Lieut. Col. Commandant June 17, 1812. Brevetted Colonel June 20, 1816. Discharged April 24, 1818.*** He

* Danvers Town Records.

† Church Records (Middle Precinct).

‡ Lynn Town Records.

§ Essex Probate Records, book 407, leaf 366.

¶ Salem Gazette, Oct. 11, 1839.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 369, leaf 35.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 405, leaf 27.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 366, leaf 24; and book 396, leaf 110.

‡‡ Gravestone in family burying ground, on the eastern side of the road leading from his house to Middleton.

§§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 182, leaf 306; and book 155, leaf 181.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 288, leaf 215.

¶¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 837, leaf 175.

*** Roster of Officers, M. V. M., in the Adjutant General's office.

lived on the homestead farm near his brother Asa, and owned many lots in that portion of West Peabody as is shown by the deed of sale of his property by the widow, his executrix, to David Upton, March 29, 1822.* The Salem Gazette, of Feb. 16, 1821, contained the following: "In the death of Col. Gardner society have sustained a great loss. Amiable in his disposition, exemplary in all the relations of life, and of irreproachable morals, he had secured the esteem and respect of all who knew him. In his character were united unaffected modesty, with a sound judgement and great firmness and decision. As a military officer he was highly respectable, and had an opportunity of displaying that spirit and energy which show that he was qualified to command. Few men have been called to endure greater suffering, and no one could exhibit greater fortitude. Through an uncommon and most painful sickness, he was a model of patience and resignation; he was sustained by Christian faith, and at length departed in that peace of mind, which the world can neither give nor take away. The memory of Col. Gardner will long be cherished with affection by his friends who now deeply lament his death."† He had no children.

204. SALLY, b. May 1‡ (bap. Oct. 16§), 1785; d. Dec. 12, 1850, at Winchester, Va.; m. at Danvers, Sept. 4, 1811, Rev. Calvin Walcott, son of Elijah and Mary (Blake) Walcott. Children: 1. Elizabeth Gardner, b. Marblehead, Mass., Dec. 30, 1812; d. Weymouth, May 2, 1846; m. June 16, 1834, Jacob Richards, A. M., M. D., son of Jacob and Lydia (Colson) Richards. 2. Augustus Calvin, b. Danvers, Oct. 13, 1814; d. Havana, Cuba, Apr. 6, 1833. 3. Sally Ann, b. Marblehead, Mar. 27, 1817; d. Yonkers, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1888. 4. Samuel Gardner, b. Hanover, Mass., Jan. 2, 1820. A graduate of Washington College (Trinity) Hartford, and later a graduate in medicine. He practised in Utica, N. Y., and Boston; d. Utica, N. Y., June 3, 1883. 5. Henrietta Blake, b. May 15, 1823; m. Edwin A. Richards, son of Hon. Joseph Richards. 6. Asa Gardner, b. Apr. 25, 1825; d. New York City, Aug. 15, 1853. A graduate of Trinity College, and Med. Dep't Univ. of City of N. Y. Ass't at N. Y. State Asylum at Utica, N. Y., 1853-5. 7. George

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 228, leaf 190.

† Salem Gazette, February 16, 1821.

‡ Danvers Town Records.

§ Church Records (Middle Precinct).

|| "Descendants of James Prime." By Gen. Ralph E. Prime. Walcott notes in the appendix. Essex Institute Library.

Theodore, b. July 15, 1827; d. Quincy, Mass., Oct. 22, 1851.
 Grad. Brown Univ. 1848. Princ. of Hanover Academy,
 1849.*

205. Betsy, b. Aug. 25† (bap. Oct. 19‡), 1788; d. Jan. 31, 1796.†

144 Capt. Benjamin Gardner, son of Daniel and Ann (Putnam) Gardner, lived in Middleton until about 1785 when he moved to Marblehead, where he resided until his death. He was referred to in the records as gentleman or yeoman.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

"Sergeant, Capt. Asa Prince's co. of Minute-men, which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775; service, 2 days; also Ensign, Capt. Enoch Putnam's co., Col. John Mansfield's regt.; muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; engaged April 26, 1775; service, 3 mos. 13 days; also, Capt. Putnam's co., Col. Mansfield's (19th) regt. commanded by Lieut. Col. Israel Hutchinson; company return dated Oct. 6, 1775; also, Captain, Col. Rufus Putnam's (5th) regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779; reported as serving 22 mos. 19 days as Lieutenant, 13 mos. 11 days as Captain; also, 1st Lieutenant, Capt. Daniel Shay's co., Col. Putnam's (4th) regt.; return dated Albany, Feb. 9, 1778; residence Middleton; also, Col. Putnam's regt.; returns of officers for clothing dated Boston, June 17, and Nov. 24, 1778; also, Captain, 5th Mass. regt.; list of settlements of rank of Continental officers, dated West Point, made by a Board held for that purpose and confirmed by Congress Sept. 6, 1779; commissioned Nov. 11, 1778; also, Captain Lieutenant; return made by Lieut. Col. Newhall and filed Sept. 23, 1779, of officers of Col. Putnam's (5th) regt.; also, Captain, Col. Putnam's regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1780, to Oct. 18, 1780."§

* "Descendants of James Prime." By Gen. Ralph E. Prime. Walcott notes in the appendix. Essex Institute Library.

† Danvers Town Records.

‡ Church Records (Middle Precinct).

§ Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, v. VI, p. 261.

REAL ESTATE.

He purchased of John Shepard, Jun., of Amherst, N. H., May 9, 1769, a tract of land containing fifteen acres, on the northern side of Middleton pond, on the road from Andover to Salem, and another lot on the south side of said highway, bounded on the south by the "brook running out of the aforesaid Pond." This second lot contained about two acres. In addition he purchased at this time half interests in two other lots.* He sold to John Estey, yeoman, three of the above divisions for £200, in 1785 (Apr. 20).†

In 1783 (Jan. 10) he bought of Benjamin Wilkins, Jun., of Middleton, administrator of the estate of John Wilkins, for £29, 4 shill. 11 pence, a lot of land at auction, containing five and three-quarters acres.‡ Judgment was obtained against him in 1788 to the amount of £24, 17 shill. 7 pence, by Samuel Symonds, treasurer of Middleton, and this lot appraised at £10, 13 shill., 4 pence, was seized in part payment. Benjamin Gardner was described in the last named document as "of Marblehead, gentleman."§

Benjamin Gardner married in Danvers, Sept. 25, 1764,|| Molly Smith. She died in Marblehead, May 28, 1828.¶ He died in Marblehead Sept. 17, 1813.

Children :

206. ESTHER, died unmarried, of small-pox.
207. MOLLY, b. June 11, 1765.||
208. JOHN, went to Ohio with the early emigrants, according to B. F. Browne. He was in Marietta, Ohio, in 1792.
209. POLLY, b. 1767; d. April 23, 1851;•• m. in Middleton, July 30, 1785,†† Reuben Wilkins, son of Aquila and Lucy (Smith) Wilkins. Children: 1. Frances (Fanny) b. Dec. 31, 1785; d. Apr. 23, 1870; m. May 13, 1804, Benjamin Ropes, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Symonds) Ropes.‡‡ 2. Polly, b. May 23, 1787; d. June 4, 1789. 3. John Gardner, b. Jan. 4,

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 37.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 106.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 147, leaf 130.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 149, leaf 42.

|| Danvers Town Records.

¶ Salem Gazette, May 31, 1828.

•• Salem Gazette of April 23, 1851.

†† Middleton Town Records.

‡‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VII, p. 252; and v. VIII, p. 54.

- 1790; d. Oct. 10, 1869; * m. at Salem, N. H., Mar. 24, 1815, Dorcas Merrill, dau. of Joseph and Anna (Ober) Merrill.
4. Rufus, b. Mar. 25, 1792; d. Jan. 7, 1813, on the Chesapeake. 5. Polly (Mary), b. Jan. 7, 1794; d. July, 1889; m. Oct. 3, 1815, Joseph Lefavour. 6. Hezekiah, b. Dec. 2, 1796; d. June 19, 1872, at Sailor's Snug Harbor; m. Nov. 15, 1818, Bethlah Shehane.* 7. Henry, b. Apr. 21, 1798; d. Feb. 7, 1799. 8. George Gardner, b. July 5, 1800; d. at sea Feb., 1825. 9. Charles, b. Sept. 8, 1802; d. Aug. 9, 1874; * m. 1st, May 17, 1825, Nancy G. Jelly,* who died May 20, 1842; m. 2nd, June 6, 1843, Sarah Gardner Harris,* dau. of John L. and Rebecca (Bray) Harris, of Marblehead.* 10. Esther Gardner, b. Aug. 17, 1804; d. Mar., 1850; m. Oct. 7, 1824, John Allen.* 11. Albert, b. Dec. 2, 1806; d. Feb. 8, 1892; m. Sept. 29, 1833, Hepzibah Austin, dau. of Richard and Isabel (Symonds) Austin.*
210. BENJAMIN, bap. July 11, 1772;† d. at Pernambuco, Sept. 13, 1823; m. 1st, at Marblehead, Apr. 15, 1798, Sarah Oliver;‡ m. 2nd, Oct. 10, 1817, Elizabeth Tucker, dau. of William and Elizabeth (Corney) Tucker. Children by Sarah: 1. Sarah (Sally), bap. Mar. 17, 1799;§ m. Nov. 7, 1820, Richard Girdler, Jr., of Marblehead. 2. Benjamin, bap. July 18, 1801;§ died young. 3. Mary, bap. Feb. 6, 1803;§ m. Sept. 21, 1826, Nathaniel Barker of Marblehead. Children by Elizabeth: 4. Maria T., b. May 26, 1821; d. Feb. 13, 1885; m. Sept. 19, 1844, Thomas Appleton, Jr. 5. William Andrew Tucker, b. Oct. 31, 1820; d. at sea in 1853; m. Oct. 27, 1845, Elizabeth Conway Adams, dau. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Adams.¶ 6. Andrew, d. Apr. 23, 1819. 7. Benjamin, d. June 1, 1826.
211. GEORGE, bap. Dec. 3, 1775;† d. young.
212. GEORGE, bap. Mar. 18, 1781;† He was lost on the Grand Banks.
213. ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 9, 1786;‡ d. Mar. 6, 1864; m. July 5, 1818, Joseph Hathaway, son of John Gardner, and Eleanor (Stone) Hathaway. Children: 1. Joseph, m. Elizabeth Hathaway, his cousin. 2. Frank, d. about 1840, unmarried. 3. Richard, d. young.¶
214. ANNA, b. Jan. 13, 1787;‡ d. Sept. 7, 1875; m. Apr. 8, 1810, Jeremiah Hathaway, son of John Gardner, and Eleanor (Stone) Hathaway.‡ Children: 1. Jeremiah, b. Apr. 8, 1811; d. July 7, 1860; m. 1st, Julia Osborn; m. 2nd, Abbie Gowing. 2. George G., b. Jan. 29, 1813; d. Mar. 17, 1867;

* Salem Town Records.

† Middleton Town Records.

‡ Marblehead Town Records.

§ Second Church Records, Marblehead.

¶ Authority, Miss Maria Theresa Appleton Gardner, of Marblehead.

¶ Authority, Stephen P. Hathaway, of Marblehead.

unm. 3. Eliza A., b. Apr. 27, 1815; d. Aug. 7, 1883; m. in Marblehead, George Goss. 4. Sally G., b. Apr. 6, 1817; d. June 30, 1840; m. in Marblehead, Joseph F. Shepard. 5. Benjamin Gardner, b. Sept. 8, 1819; m. July, 1844, Rebecca Oliver, dau. of James and Rebecca (Wadden) Oliver. 6. Mary Ellen, b. Sept. 1821; m. Samnel S. Reynolds. 7. Caroline, b. Apr. 17, 1823; unm. 8. Charles H., b. July 11, 1828; d. Jan. 19, 1871; m., in Maine, Sophronia Sherbon. 9. John G., b. Jan. 1, 1831; d. Mar. 4, 1891; unm.*

145 Daniel Gardner, son of Daniel and Ann (Putnam) Gardner, moved to Lunenburg, Worcester County, Mass. He was described as "husbandman" in a deed dated July 9, 1768, in which he with the consent of his wife Emma, sold to his brother Samuel for £35, 13 shill., 4 pence, all of his share in the land which his father Daniel Gardner gave to his brother John Gardner, since deceased, also all of his share to land of which his father died seized.†

He married at Danvers, Sept. 1, 1763,‡ Emma Rea, daughter of John and Anna (Dodge) Rea.

Children :

215. **JOHN**, b. Lunenburg, Mass.; d. Watertown, N. Y., aged 69; m., 1st, Dolly Willard, dau. of Ephraim Willard of Sterling, Mass.; she died at Manchester, Vt., in 1868; m., 2nd, Lois Willard, sister of his first wife. Children, by his first wife: John, Clarissa, Austin, who lived in Belvidere, Ill., and died about 1846; m. Mary Ripley, who moved to Hammondsport, N. Y., after his death; Almira, Loraine, Lucinda, Sophia and Cephas. By his second wife he had Volney, Adeline and a child who died young.§
216. **DANIEL**, b. 1767; d. Jan. 7, 1834; m. 1792, Catherine Hartwell. Children, born in Lunenburg, Mass.: 1. Benjamin, b. Dec. 22, 1793; d. Dec. 27, 1835; m. Jan. 9, 1815, Ruth Holbrook. 2. Henry, b. Dec. 3, 1795; d. Apr. 1, 1877; m. Aug. 10, 1834, Ruby Holbrook. Children, born in Northport, Maine: 3. Phebe Hart, b. Feb. 21, 1798; d. Aug. 14, 1872; m. Dec. 24, 1818, Samuel Herrick. 4. Samuel, b. June 8, 1800; d. Jan. 16, 1874; m. Sept. 30, 1830, Louisa Dickay. 5. Nancy, b. Sept. 22, 1802; d. Aug., 1871; m.

* Authority, Miss Annie G. Hathaway, of Salem.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 239.

‡ Danvers Town Records.

§ Notes of Mr. Cephas Gardner, son of John and Dolly (Willard) Gardner.

Mar. 10, 1825, Edmund Bicknell. 6. Catherine, b. May 19, 1806; d. Mar. 11, 1894; m. Oct. 29, 1833, Rev. John Hatch, a Methodist minister. 7. Daniel Hartwell, b. Feb. 14, 1809; d. July 28, 1876; m. Apr. 10, 1834, Lavinia Frohock. 8. John, b. June 21, 1811; d. Mar. 8, 1884; m. Oct. 31, 1845, Harriet Henderson. 9. William, b. Nov. 10, 1813; d. Dec. 28, 1865; m. Jan. 21, 1841, Roxa Hinds. 10. Joseph Edward, b. Nov. 15, 1818; d. Feb. 28, 1888; m. July 15, 1849, Mary Jones. 11. Harriett Allison, b. Sept. 21, 1821; d. June 11, 1888; m. May 1, 1841, George Billings.*

- 217. WILLIAM, said to have settled in Boston.†
- 218. GEORGE, went to Vermont, and then moved to the West.†
- 219. A DAUGHTER who married a man by the name of Coffin.†
- 220. NANCY, m. 1790, Asa Carlton. Children: Ruth, b. Reading, Vt., 1793; d. Derby, Vt., 1884; m. June 16, 1811, Levi P. Adams. They also had ten other children, all of whom died young.‡
- 221. A DAUGHTER who married a man by the name of Sherin.†

147 George Gardner, son of Daniel and Anna (Putnam) Gardner, died about 1769. His estate which was wholly personal, and mostly wearing apparel, was distributed June 6, 1769, among his brothers and sisters who were named in the document as follows:—Samuel, Daniel, Benjamin, Ebenezer, Elizabeth, Sarah and Esther Gardner; Anna Brewer, Ruth Estes and Lydia Clark. Unmarried.§

150 Ebenezer Gardner, the youngest son of Daniel and Anna (Putnam) Gardner, moved to Lyndeborough, N. H., and on September 7, 1773, was wounded at Wilton, N. H., at the raising of a meeting house.||

He and his wife, together with the other heirs of Thomas Whittredge, sold to Thomas Whittredge, brother, for £15, their interest in the deceased father's real estate, amounting to one and one half acres in the "northfield

*Family notes kindly collected by Miss Sarah Rea Gardner, daughter of Henry and Ruby (Holbrook) Gardner, of Northport, Maine.

† Authority, Mr. Cephas Gardner.

‡ Authorities, Prof. George B. Adams, of Yale University; and Cephas Gardner Adams, M.D., of Portland, Maine.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 345, leaf 396.

|| Salem Gazette, Sept. 14-21, 1773.

(so called) in said Danvers."* This was bounded east on the land of their "Hon'd mother Sarah Whittredge."

Ebenezer Gardner married Jan. 28, 1772, Sarah Whittredge, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Whittredge.† Child :

222. DANIEL, m. Eunice Putnam, dau. of Benjamin and Miriam (Flint) Putnam; Children: 1. Putnam, b. Aug. 8, 1811; d. Mar. 4, 1844; m. May 15, 1841, Mary L. Delaramore. 2. Miriam, b. Nov. 25, 1813; m. Isaac Thorn. 3. Emma, b. Feb. 15, 1815. 4. Daniel, b. Feb. 21, 1817; d. Aug. 1, 1892; m. Sept. 4, 1842, Louisa Hall. 5. Sally, b. Feb. 3, 1819; m. John A. Countryman. 6. Ebenezer, b. Apr. 29, 1821. 7. John Nichols, b. Oct. 7, 1823. 8. Willard, b. Apr. 16, 1826; d. Oct. 12, 1901; m. 1st. Nov. 29, 1853, Della Ann Staring; m. 2nd, Margaret Avery.§

Ebenezer and Sarah (Whittredge) Gardner may have had other children, but Daniel is the only child concerning whom the author has been able to find any record after prolonged search.

156 George Gardner, the eldest son of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, was a merchant in Salem. He graduated at Harvard College, in 1762.¶ He dealt extensively in general merchandise, including flour, salt, Philadelphia iron, selling the same for cash or codfish.¶ He offered for sale a "Mofes boat," a schooner, and the brigantine Essex.** Mention is made of his going to Europe in 1771, and of his return in April 1773.††

His name first appears in the town records, in 1766 (Oct. 6), when he was mentioned as a member of the Fire Engine Company. He sold his share in the engine, May 21, 1768, to Stephen Cook. In the following year (March 13) he was chosen constable, but hired William Clough as a substitute. The following note occurs in the town records, under date of June 1769: "Agreed that

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 158, leaf 162.

† Danvers Town Records.

‡ Putnam Genealogy, p. 353.

§ Notes furnished by the late Willard Gardner, of Clayton, N. Y.

¶ Felt's Annals of Salem, 2nd edition, v. 1, p. 491.

** Essex Gazette, Jan. 24-31, 1769; and March 12-19, 1771.

†† Essex Gazette, Dec. 25, 1770; Jan. 8-15, 1771; and June 29- July 6, 1773.

‡† Essex Gazette, July 2-9, 1771; and Apr. 20-27, 1773.

George Gardner & Sam^l Barton Jun^r be recommended for Retailers in sd town, as persons of sober conversation, & suitably qualified & provided for the exercise of such an employment.* He served on the petit jury Dec. 10, 1770, and was drawn again in the following year, but was excused.*

REAL ESTATE.

The estate of his father was divided among the three sons, May 29, 1769, and George was given "such part of y^e Divided premises as the s^d parties have agreed is worth £615, 15 shill., 6 2-3 pence more than a third of the hereby divided premises, which Sum he hath paid to the said Weld & Henry." Henry received £405, 17 shill., 9 1-3 pence of this amount, and Weld, £209, 17 shill. 9 1-3 pence.† George was given the homestead located on the south side of Essex Street, near what is now Crombie Street. This property has been described fully in the article relating to his father.‡ He was also given one-third of his father's pew holdings in Rev. Dr. Whittaker's meeting house. In 1769 and the year following, he and his brothers sold various lots of land which had belonged to his father and the late Capt. John Skinner of Marblehead.§

George Gardner died about Jan. 1, 1774, and was buried on the third of that month.|| His mansion house was owned jointly by his heirs until after the death of his brother Weld, when the surviving heirs sold the estate for the total value of \$8000 to Benjamin Crombie, Weld's one-fifth having been left by him to Thomas Lee, of Cambridge.¶

In his will dated June 22, 1771, he made the following bequests:

"To Rev ^d M ^r Thomas Barnard	£200.
" M ^r Thomas Lee	£600.
" Brother Weld Gardner and to the Heirs of his Body . . . all of the Residue and remainder."	

* Town Records.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaves 11 and 13.

‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXIX, p. 33.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 122, leaves 17 and 62; and book 126, leaves 178 and 188.

|| Salem Gazette, Dec. 28—Jan. 4, 1774.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 172, leaves 34-36, and 188.

To the Town of Salem "£400 lawfull Money to be improv'd for the Use and Benefit of the Poor of the town of Salem."

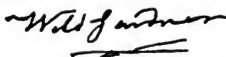
£1333 "to Harvard College in Cambridge to be improv'd for the Education of poor Scholars."

£2000 "to the Marine Society in Salem (so called) to be improv'd by them . . . for the use and Benefit of superannuated (or otherwise disabled) seamen.*

His brother Weld was appointed executor.* Weld Gardner died Nov. 2, 1801,† without issue, and then the above named public bequests were paid.

Unmarried.

157 Weld Gardner, the second son of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, was a merchant in Salem. He was associated in business with his brother George until said George's death, after which he continued the business



alone. His advertisements in the local papers show that he dealt in general merchandise including Russia duck, molasses, sugar, coffee, cocoa, sweet oil, figs, raisins, indigo etc., for which he received either money or codfish.‡ He owned the brig Tryal, 119 tons, built at Frye's mills in 1790.§

He was chosen constable in March 1770, and clerk of the market March 9, 1789, but was excused upon both occasions. In 1776 he served on the petit jury, and on the grand jury in the following year.|| His signature was affixed to the address to General Gage, in June 1774.¶ He was one of the original owners of the North Church, and with forty-one others purchased the land for the same, of John Nutting, Esq., Feb. 14, 1772.**

* Essex Probate Records, book 350, leaf 108.

† Salem Gazette, Nov. 3, 1801.

‡ Essex Gazette Feb. 4-11, and June 9-16, 1773; Salem Gazette, Nov. 13, 1783, etc.

§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. vi, p. 138.

|| Town Records.

¶ Essex Gazette, June 7-11, 1774.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 130, leaf 117.

REAL ESTATE.

Weld Gardner received from his father's estate when it was divided, May 29, 1769, a lot in Danvers measuring 21 acres, 94 7-10 poles, one share in the common lands, and one-third of his father's pew holdings in Dr. Whittaker's meetinghouse.* This land was in the South Parish in Danvers (now Peabody) and was sold by Weld Gardner to Thomas Lee, of Salem, March 4, 1799, for \$970.† He loaned large amounts on mortgages.‡

Weld Gardner died November 2, 1801, and was buried on the afternoon of the third of that month, from his house on Essex Street.§ In his will dated Sept. 11, 1801, he made the following bequests: To George Gardner Lee, and Colman Lee, sons of his "kinsman Mr. Thomas Lee," he left \$5000 apiece, and to Louisa and Deborah Lee, daughters of the same man, two thousand five hundred dollars apiece; to his brother Henry Gardner, \$2000; to his sisters Lois Barnard, and Elizabeth Stevens, \$1500 each; to the four children of his deceased sister Esther Mackay, \$1500 to be equally divided among them; to Lydia Gerry Lee, daughter of George G. Lee, he left the remainder of his estate. Thomas Lee was named as executor.||

Unmarried.

158 Henry Gardner, the youngest of the three sons of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, of Salem, graduated at Harvard College in 1765.¶ He was a

Henry Gardner

merchant and master mariner. His name was mentioned as one of the owners of the brigantine "Union" offered for sale in February, 1774.**

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaf 11.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 164, leaf 244.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 73; book 144, leaves 45 and 68; book 145, leaf 233; book 146, leaves 213 and 223; book 152, leaves 152 and 264-5; and book 153, leaf 56.

§ Salem Gazette, Nov. 3, 1801.

|| Essex Probate Records, book 369, leaf 6.

¶ Felt's Annals of Salem, second edition, v. I, p. 491.

** Essex Gazette, Feb. 15-22, 1774.

(To be continued.)

SHIP REGISTERS OF THE DISTRICT OF
SALEM AND BEVERLY.
1789-1900.

COMMUNICATED BY A. FRANK HITCHINGS, WITH ADDITIONAL
NOTES BY STEPHEN WILLARD PHILLIPS.

IN presenting this work the intention has been to arrange, in alphabetical order, a fairly correct list of all those vessels that have been registered and engaged in the foreign trade at this port, commencing with the first register record that appears in the Salem Custom House, which is dated October 6, 1789, and continuing to the present time.

The district of Salem and Beverly comprises the ports of Salem, Beverly, and Danvers, and, prior to the Act of March, 1799, included also the port of Ipswich.

The list also includes all those vessels belonging to this district that have been documented at other ports for the foreign trade, but have never sailed into Salem harbor. Possibly there were vessels the names of which do not appear in this list, but an effort has been made to include them all. In some instances the name of the same vessel may appear more than once, as a great many vessels during the latter part of the 18th and early part of the 19th centuries, have been traced with much difficulty. During that period there were 45 vessels named Betsey, 33 named Sally, 26 named Polly, and many others which appear many times although not so frequently as those mentioned. If the present system of giving to each vessel an official number to identify her had been in vogue at that time, this difficulty of tracing a vessel which had changed her rig and tonnage, would have been avoided. Under these circumstances, no claim can

be made that the list presented is absolutely correct or that the names of all the vessels engaged in such trade have been obtained.

It is, however, believed to be substantially correct and may be consulted for general information and the consideration of matters pertaining to foreign bound vessels belonging to this district.

Messrs. Hitchings and Phillips desire to make due acknowledgment of their indebtedness to Mr. George H. Allen, to Captain Nathan H. Millet, to Collector John Daland, to Mr. William J. Sullivan, and others, for assistance given them in compiling the following notes.

Such information as was not found in the Custom House Registers is enclosed within brackets. The hailing port of each vessel and the residence of the owner are not given if belonging to Salem.

ABBY, brig, 135 tons. Newbury, 1811. Reg. Oct. 10, 1816. Jesse Potter, Ebenezer Dodge, owners; Jesse Potter, master. [Rebuilt at Salem in 1867.] Reg. Dec. 20, 1820. Ebenezer Dodge, Jesse Potter, James Potter, owners; Jesse Potter, master. Reg. June 25, 1823. James Potter, Jesse Potter, owners; Jesse Potter, master. [Sold in 1825 at Pernambuco.]

ABBY WELD, sch., 94 tons. Belfast, Me., 1847. Reg. Mar. 22, 1850. John Dike, Daniel Brier, Belfast, Frank Brier, Belfast, George McDonald, Belfast, owners; Daniel Brier, master. Reg. Nov. 13, 1849. John Dike, Franklin Brier, Belfast, George McDonald, Belfast, D. Pattershall, Belfast, Charles Moore, owners; Peter Lassen, master. Reg. Jan. 6, 1853. John Dike, Isaac Cushing, owners; Levi Bullock, jr., master. Tonnage altered to 76 tons. Reg. July 30, 1867. Richard C. Manning, N. C. Robbins, John Dike, owners; Charles W. Hutchings, master.

ABIGAIL, sloop, 57 tons, Marshfield. 1784. Reg. Sept. 5, 1793. Malachi Sweet, owner; John Endicott, master.

ABIGAIL, Beverly, sch., 206 tons, Warren, R. I., 1789. Reg. Sept. 1, 1800. Robert Rantoul, Andrew Peabody, Silas Stickney, Ebenezer Smith, Zebulon Obear, John Dike, jr., all of Beverly, owners; Zebulon Obear, master.

ABIGAIL, sch., 73 tons, Haverhill, 1805. Reg. July 13, 1810. Amos Lefavour, owner; Zachariah Morgan, master.

ABIGAIL, sch., 62 tons, Essex, 1829. Reg. Apr. 7, 1858. William W. Boswell, James B. Boswell, owners; Thomas H. Wentworth, master.

ABIONA, sch., 78 tons, Milton, 1787. Reg. Dec. 15, 1789. Joseph Waters, owner; John Sinclair, master. Reg. Nov. 5, 1792. Clifford Byrnes, Nathaniel Richardson, owners; Clifford Byrnes, master. Reg. Dec. 19, 1783. Joseph Waters, owner; Clifford Byrnes, master.

ACASTA, ship, 286 tons, Salem, 1821. Reg. May 25, 1821. Henry Pickering, Humphrey Devereux, James Devereux, owners; Thos. Cloutman, jr., master. [Sold to Sag Harbor owners, Apr., 1830.]

ACORN, brig, 116 tons, Duxbury, 1803. Reg. May 6, 1803. Benjamin Henderson, John Osgood, owners; Benjamin Henderson, master.

ACORN, brig, 146 tons, Ipswich, 1816. Reg. Dec. 12, 1820. Jeremiah Briggs, owner; Henry Briggs, master. Reg. Dec. 14, 1822. Jeremiah Briggs, Charles Saunders, Nathaniel W. Neal, John Winn, owners; Thomas Bowditch, master. Reg. Dec. 31, 1823. Joseph Peabody, owner; Jacob Lee, master. [Sold in Rio Janeiro, 1828.]

ACTIVE, sch., 67 tons, Haverhill, 1786. Reg. Dec. 8, 1789. William Gray, jr., owner; Seaward Lee, master.

ACTIVE, sch., 82 tons, Haverhill, 1786. Reg. May 22, 1794. Benjamin Hodges, Ichabod Nichols, owners; Geo. Hodges, master. Reg. May 16, 1796. William Gray, owner; Jonathan H. Lovett, master.

ACTIVE, ship, 206 tons, Salem, 1799. Altered to a bark in 1803. Altered to a brig in 1810. Reg. Nov. 2, 1799. Ichabod Nichols, Benjamin Hodges, Gamaliel Hodges, Edward Allen, owners; Timothy Bryant, master. Reg. Sept. 3, 1800. Ichabod Nichols, Benjamin Hodges, Gamaliel Hodges, owners; George Nichols, master. Reg. Aug. 24, 1803. Ichabod Nichols, Benjamin Hodges, George Nichols, Gamaliel Hodges, owners; George Nichols, master. Reg. Nov. 7, 1804. Ichabod Nichols, Benjamin Hodges, George Nichols, Benjamin Pierce, Timothy Bryant, owners; Timothy Bryant, master. Reg. June 10, 1806. Jesse Richardson, William P. Richardson, Joshua Richardson, owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. Feb. 18, 1807. Jesse Richardson, William P. Richardson, owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. Apr. 1, 1809. William P. Richardson, John Fairfield, John Dodge, owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. Mar. 12, 1810. Joseph White, John Dodge, James Cook, William P. Richardson, owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. May 14, 1810. James Cook, John Dodge, William P. Richardson, owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. May 31, 1810. James Cook, John Dodge, Charles Saunders, William P. Richardson,

owners; William P. Richardson, master. Reg. Aug. 28, 1812. Charles Saunders, James Cook, Thomas Saunders, Nathan Cook, owners; Nathan Cook, master. [Sold in St. Salvador to the Portuguese. See E. I. Hist. Coll. vii, 211. June 1, 1810, the "Active" sailed for the Feejee Islands, being the first Salem vessel in that trade. John Endicott was also registered as master in 1804.]

ACTIVE, sch., 23 tons, Ipswich, 1804. Reg. July 8, 1812. Joseph Peabody, Samuel Upton, owners; Benjamin Patterson, master. [Carried 2 guns, 25 men. As a privateer, her career was short, being captured July 16, 1812, off Cape Sable.]

ACTIVE, brig, 211 tons, Ipswich, 1822. Altered to a bark, July, 1833. Reg. July 13, 1822. William P. Richardson, Thomas Saunders, Charles Saunders, Jeremiah Briggs, owners; Nathaniel Page, master. Reg. Mar. 19, 1824. William P. Richardson, Thomas Saunders, Charles Saunders, Jerathmiel Pierce, owners; Tuning Tunninson, master. Reg. July 30, 1833. John W. Rogers, Nathaniel Rogers, Richard S. Rogers, owners; Joseph H. Millett, master. Reg. Dec. 10, 1836. Robert Brookhouse William Hunt, owners; Abraham Pickering, master. Reg. June 13, 1853. Benjamin Upton, jr., owner; M. S. Wheeler, master.

ADALINE, ship, 249 tons, Eden, 1808. Reg. May 27, 1809. Samuel Archer, 3d, Benjamin Babbidge, owners; William Allen, master. Reg. Mar. 5, 1810. John Andrews, owner; William Allen, master. Reg. Mar. 6, 1810. Joseph White, owner; William Allen, master. Reg. Feb. 7, 1821. Stephen White, Henry White, owners; Joseph Felt, 3d, master. [Condemned at Cuxhaven, 1823.]

ADAMS, brig, 180 tons, Eden, Me., 1828. Reg. June 6, 1829. David Pingree, owner; Benjamin Shillaber, master.

ADMITTANCE, brig, 170 tons, Duxbury, 1802. Reg. Aug. 11, 1809. Phineas Cole, Oliver Saunders, Abner Burbank, Paul I. Burbank, owners; Joseph Collins, master.

ADNA, brig, 186 tons, North Yarmouth, 1840. Reg. Feb. 6, 1851. Benjamin Webb, John Hodges, owners; Charles Leach, master.

ADVENTURE, bgt., 184 tons, Salem, 1796. Altered to a ship in Mar., 1799. Reg. June 20, 1796. John Norris, John Barr, owners; James Barr, jr., master. Reg. Nov. 9, 1804. Jonathan Norris, owner; Jonathan Norris, jr., master. [Picture on a pitcher at the Essex Institute.]

ADVENTURE, sch., 45 tons, captured in War of 1812. Reg. Apr. 14, 1815. Stephen White, Joseph White, jr., owners; Robert Peele, master.

ADVENTURE, sch., 78 tons, Bradford, 1807. Reg. May 18, 1815. Isaac Andrew, owner; Isaac Andrew, master. Reg.

Dec. 4, 1816. John Dike, John Archer, owners; Zachariah Morgan, master.

AERIAL, brig, 161 tons, Baltimore, Md., 1844. Reg. Nov. 3, 1846. Thomas P. Pingree, owner; Daniel Marshall, master. [Lost in 1850.]

AGAWAM, sch., 91 tons, Newbury, 1813. Reg. June 27, 1815. Archelaus Rea, Richard S. Rogers, owners; John Wilson, master. Reg. Dec. 6, 1815. John Dodge, Francis Boardman, owners; Francis Boardman, master. Reg. Oct. 15, 1820. William H. Bott, Lynch Bott, owners; William H. Bott, master. Reg. Nov. 14, 1823. Josiah Raymond, Beverly, owner; Josiah Raymond, master. [Sold to Beverly owners, Nov., 1823.]

AGENORA, sch., 61 tons, Essex, 1824. Reg. Nov. 25, 1824. Richard Savory, Joseph Howard, John Howard, James Perkins, William Treadwell, Samuel Holman, Samuel Symonds, owners; Moses Low, master.

ALBA, brig, 153 tons, Orland, 1805. Reg. Sept. 7, 1795. Jeremiah L. Page, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, Abel Lawrence, owners; Samuel Grove, master. Reg. Jan. 3, 1818. Jeremiah L. Page, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, owners; Samuel Grove, master. Reg. June 23, 1819. Josiah Haskett, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, William E. Endicott, owners; John H. Glover, master.

ALBERT, brig, 132 tons, New Castle, 1824. Reg. Oct. 31, 1827. Stephen W. Shepard, Edward Stanley, owners; Joshua F. Safford, master. [Lost, 1829.]

ALBERT, Beverly, sloop, 111 tons, Bristow, Me., 1835. Reg. Oct. 9, 1836. Josiah Lovett, Isaiah Lovett, Andrew W. Stanley, owners; Dearborn Harriman, master.

ALBION, sch., 107 tons, Middletown, Conn., 1826. Reg. May 8, 1831. Francis Quarles, jr., owner; Ira Smith, master.

ALBION, sch., 160 tons, Brewer, Me., 1832. Reg. Dec. 25, 1841. Benjamin Webb, Joseph R. Francks, Caleb M. Ames, owners; Joseph R. Francks, master. [Sold at Buenos Ayres, 1842.]

ALBUM, Beverly, sch., 72 tons, Essex, 1846. Reg. Oct. 23, 1852. Samuel Adams, Beverly, owner; John W. Phillips, master.

ALERT, brig, 120 tons, Salem, 1798. Reg. Sept. 8, 1798. Robert Stone, William Parker, Joseph White, jr., Jesse Richardson, Dudley L. Pickman, Pickering Dodge, owners; Robert Gray, master.

ALERT, Beverly, sch., 75 tons, Pembroke, 1798. Reg. Nov. 30, 1798. William Leach, Beverly, owner; Jacob Oliver, master.

ALERT, brig, 141 tons, Freeport, 1799. Reg. Nov. 15, 1799. Jesse Richardson, owner; James Mausfield, master. [Sold to Lynn, Mar., 1804.]

ALERT, sloop, 58 tons, Scituate, 1803. Reg. May 15, 1805.

John L. Gardner, Richard Gardner, owners; Charles Burrill, master. Reg. July 16, 1806. John Gardner, Richard Gardner, owners; Edward Stanley, master. Reg. Dec. 2, 1806. John Gardner, owner; Edward Stanley, master. Reg. Apr. 21, 1807. Clifford Crowninshield, owner; Joseph Noble, master.

ALERT, sch., 124 tons, captured in war, 1812. Reg. Dec. 21, 1812. Joseph Peabody, owner; George Smith, master.

ALERT, sch., 136 tons, formerly a revenue cutter. Reg. Jan. 14, 1853. A. A. Caulfield, owner; A. A. Caulfield, master.

ALEXANDER, ship, 308 tons, Baltimore, Md., 1809. Reg. Oct. 3, 1812. Joseph Winn, William Manning, William Rice, Samuel Hemminway, George Crowninshield, Josiah Orne, John Dodge. Joseph White, jr., Gilbert Chadwick, Thomas Whittredge, Stephen White, Timothy Wellman, Samuel Webb, jr., John Hathorne, Nathan Blood, Joseph J. Knapp. Penn Townsend, William Fabens, William Marsten. Boston, William Fettyplace, Marblehead, Joseph Despanse, Baltimore, owners; Timothy Wellman, master. [Privateer in 1812. For an account of her cruise and capture May 19, 1813, see Maclay, Hist. of Amer. Privateers, p. 413. She carried 20 guns and 155 men.]

ALEXANDER, brig, 238 tons, Eden, 1812. Reg. Aug. 7, 1815. Jonathan Neall, David A. Neall, Samuel Briggs, jr., owners; Samuel Briggs, jr., master. Reg. Nov. 22, 1816. Jonathan Neall, David A. Neall, owners; David A. Neall, master.

ALEXANDER, sch., 103 tons, Newbury, 1817. Reg. Dec. 15, 1817. Andrew Smith, William E. Haskett, Josiah Haskett, Thomas Frye, owners; Andrew Smith, master.

ALEXANDER HODGDON, Beverly, ship, 377 tons, Scituate, 1801. Reg. Aug. 27, 1806. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owner; Josiah Lovett, master. [Oil painting at Beverly Historical Society.]

ALFRED, sch., 75 tons, Duxbury, 1796. Reg. Mar. 6, 1803. Elias Grant, owner; Elias Grant, master.

ALFRED, ship, 260 tons, Salem, 1805. Tonnage changed to 217, Aug. 15, 1812. Reg. Nov. 15, 1805. Joseph White, Joseph White, jr., owners; Joseph Felt, master. Reg. Aug. 15, 1812. Stephen White, Joseph White, jr., John Dodge, John W. Treadwell, Moses Townsend, George Crowninshield, Nathaniel Silsbee, Joseph Winn, Henry White, jr., James Devereux, Robert Stone, Joshua Ward, Penn Townsend, Butler Fogerty, owners; Stephen Williams, master. [Fine water-color copy at Peabody Academy of Science. Cut down for a privateer in 1812, and on her last voyage changed to a brig. For some account of the "Alfred," wrongly called a brig, see Maclay, Hist. of Amer. Privateers, p. 411. Captured by two British men of war, Feb. 23, 1814. As a privateer she carried 16 guns and 100 men.]

ALFRED, brig, 158 tons, Rochester, 1822. Reg. Aug. 7, 1822. Joseph Howard, James Brown, Danvers, owners; George K. Smith, master. Reg. Nov. 24, 1826. Benjamin Creamer, owner; Aaron Williams, master. [Sold at Maranham, 1827.]

ALFRED ADAMS, Beverly, sch., 99 tons, Essex, 1851. Reg. Oct. 21, 1852. Samuel Adams, Beverly, owner; Alfred Eldridge, master.

ALICE, sloop, 57½ tons, Casco-bay, 1788. Altered to a schooner, June 11, 1791. Reg. Dec. 10, 1790. Edmond Needham, owner; Joseph Pratt, master. Reg. Feb. 23, 1793. Hatfield White, Jonathan Dean, owners; Hatfield White, master. [Edmond Needham was also master. Sailed Mar. 3, 1793 and never heard from.]

ALICE, Beverly, brig, 163 tons, Frankfort, 1805. Reg. Mar. 25, 1809. Augustus Lovett, Beverly, owner; Augustus Lovett, master. Reg. May 8, 1815. Nicholas Thorndike, Beverly, Pyam Lovett, Beverly, owners; Hiram Putnam, master.

ALICE, sch., 60 tons, Salem, 1871. Reg. Jan. 20, 1874. Joshua Brown, L. A. Roby, Nashua, N. H., George McQuestion, Nashua, N. H., owners; E. R. Thayer, master. [Half-hull model at Peabody Academy of Science.]

ALLEN, brig, 128 tons, Hanover, 1838. Reg. Sept. 5, 1846. Charles Hoffman, owner; G. H. Williams, master. Reg. Sept. 29, 1849. Benjamin P. Chamberlain, William E. Greeley, Boston, owners; John E. Berry, master.

ALLIGATOR, sch., 73 tons, Newbury, 1810. Reg. Dec. 1, 1812. Pickering Dodge, owner; Thomas Moriarty, master.

ALMIRA, sch., 82 tons, Steuben, Me., 1821. Reg. Oct. — 1825. Josiah Gould, owner; Stephen Roundy, master.

ALONZO, brig, 130 tons, Duxbury, 1806. Reg. Oct. 26, 1811. John Derby, owner; Isaac Kilham, master. Reg. Aug. 20, 1818. Joseph Howard, James Brown, Danvers, Enoch Poor, Danvers, owners; George N. Smith, master. [William Cook was also registered as master Aug. 18, 1850.]

AMAZON, Beverly, brig, 153 tons, Sedgwick, 1802. Reg. June 20, 1807. Josiah Page, Beverly, John Page, Beverly, owners; Josiah Page, master.

AMAZON, brig, 202 tons, Salem, 1824. Reg. June 16, 1824. Joseph Peabody, Joseph A. Peabody, owners; Benjamin Jacobs, master. [Sold to Gloucester owners, July, 1835. Half-hull model at Peabody Academy of Science.]

AMELIA, sloop, 32 tons, Swansey, 1787. Reg. May 20, 1793. Joseph Waters, owner; John Waters, master.

AMERICA, ship, captured in Revolutionary War by Ship Grand Turk and brought into Salem, Apr. 3, 1783. George Crowninshield & Sons, owners; afterwards sold to Elias

H. Derby. [Original name was Pompey. Sold to New York owners.]

AMERICA, ship, purchased in France in 1797 by Elias H. Derby, afterwards sold to Jacob Crowninshield, Benjamin Crowninshield, owners; Jacob Crowninshield, master. [Arr. in New York, April, 1797 and in Salem, Oct. 30, 1797. Brought to New York in April, 1797, the first elephant ever seen in the United States.]

AMERICA, ship, 654 tons, purchased in Bordeaux, 1798. Com. July 30, 1800. George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr. Jacob Crowninshield, John Crowninshield, Benjamin Crowninshield, jr., Richard Crowninshield, owners; Stephen Webb, master. [Other masters were Benjamin Crowninshield, 1799, John Crowninshield, 1801, and Jeremiah Briggs, 1802. Her original name was "Blonde." In the French war carried 20 guns. Said to have been the largest vessel in the merchant service in the U. S. Sold in France in 1802. Water color by Corné at the Peabody Academy of Science.]

AMERICA, ship, 473 tons, Salem, 1804. Tonnage altered to 331, in Sept., 1812. Reg. June 28, 1804. Benjamin Crowninshield, jr., George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield jr., Jacob Crowninshield, Richard Crowninshield, N.Y., owners; Benjamin Crowninshield, jr., master. Reg. July 10, 1809. Benjamin Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr., owners; Joseph Ropes, master. Reg. Sept. 2, 1812. George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr., Benjamin W. Crowninshield, owners; Joseph Ropes, master. [A famous privateer of the War of 1812. In Sept., 1812, the upper deck was taken off and her tonnage reduced to 331. Sold at auction, June, 1831, and broken up. Elias Davidson was registered as master, June 25, 1805. She made five cruises as a privateer, Joseph Ropes being in command of the first, John Kehew of the second and James Cheever, jr., of the third, fourth and fifth. For a full account of this famous privateer with incidental mention of the three earlier Americas, see "An Account of the Private Armed Ship America, of Salem," E. I. Hist. Coll. xxxvii. Oil painting and photograph of painting at Peabody Academy of Science. Photograph of painting by A. Roux, at Essex Institute.]

AMERICA, brig, 157 tons, Newbury, 1801. Reg. Apr. 6, 1821. Daniel Abbott, owner; Josiah Dewing, master, [Wrecked on her way to Key West, 1824.]

AMERICA, brig, 195 tons, Haverhill, 1834. Reg. Apr. 19, 1834. Isaac Cushing, owner; William Treadwell, master.

AMERICAN, sch., 69 tons, York, Me., 1830. Reg. Aug. 6, 1831. William Skerry, Richard Savory, Samuel Simonds,

owners; William Skerry, master. Reg. Aug. —, 1832. William Skerry, Richard Savory, Samuel Simonds, Peter Rogers, Marblehead, owners; Peter Rogers, master.

AMERICAN HERO, ship, 251 tons, Kennebunk, 1796. Reg. May 1, 1797. William Gray, Tobias Low, owners; Philip Benson, jr. Reg. Dec. 29, 1798. William Gray, owner; Joseph Lindsey, master. Reg. July 11, 1804. William Gray jr., owner; Andrew Masters, master. [In French war carried 11 guns. Commissioned as a privateer in the War of 1812.]

AMETHYST, brig, 109 tons, Essex, 1826. Reg. Dec. 4, 1827. Robert Upton, Benjamin Upton, owners; Benjamin Upton, master. Reg. Feb. 26, 1835. Robert Upton, Benjamin Upton, James Upton, owners; John Welles, master. Reg. May 2, 1838. James Upton, Robert Upton, Luther Upton, owners; Richard Hill, jr., master. [Sold in Maranham in 1838.]

ANDES, brig, 172 tons, Essex, 1825. Reg. Nov. 9, 1825. Joseph Howard, James Brown, owners; Philemon Putnam, master. [Sold to Boston owners, Jan., 1827. Sheathed with leather, which proved a failure.]

ANDREW JACKSON, ship, 263 tons, captured in War of 1812. Reg. May 25, 1815. Samuel Cook, Thomas Whittredge, William Manning, Tracy Patch, owners; Tracy Patch, master. Reg. Nov. 15, 1817. James Cook, Samuel Cook, James Whittredge, Danvers, Edward Richardson, owners; Edward Richardson, master. [Condemned at St. Ubes, 1821.]

ANGELIA, sch., 74 tons, Salisbury, 1851. Reg. Apr. 6, 1866. Charles H. Fabens, owner; E. A. Upton, master. [Abandoned at sea on voyage to Cayenne in 1869.]

ANGELICA, sch., 80 tons, Salem, 1850. Reg. July 11, 1850. Thomas P. Pingree, owner; John C. Luscomb, master. [Sold to foreign owners.]

ANGELINE, brig, 168 tons, Harrington, Me., 1832. Reg. Dec. 19, 1832. Thomas Dodge, owner; Jonathan Dodge, master. Reg. Nov. 7, 1833. Robert Upton, Benjamin Upton, owners; Henry Ropes, master.

ANGLER, sch., Beverly, 96 tons, Salisbury, 1803. Reg. May 16, 1806. Thomas Stevens, Beverly, William Leach, Beverly, Abraham Killam, Beverly, owners; Josiah Page, master.

ANGLER, sch., Beverly, 62 tons, Essex, 1824. Reg. Mar. 10, 1826. Stephen Nourse, Beverly, Charles Stephens, Beverly, owners; John Leach, master.

ANGOLA, bark, 273 tons, Newbury, 1845. Reg. Oct. 15, 1845. E. G. Kimball, Samuel Varney, Benjamin A. West, owners; S. Naire, master.

ANGOLA, brig, 220 tons, Duxbury, 1832. Reg. Jan. 24,

1849. Edward D. Kimball, owner; J. W. Luscomb, master. [Sold in 1849 at the Sandwich Islands.]

ANN, sch., 92 tons, Rochester, 1801. Reg. Sept. 26, 1804. Isaac Very, Penn Townsend, owners; John Lee, master. Reg. Jan. 25, 1805. Isaac Very, jr., owner; Isaac Very, jr., master. Reg. June 5, 1807. Henry Osborne, Thomas Whittredge, Samuel Derby, owners; John Herrin, master. Reg. July 30, 1810. Edward Norris, John Norris, owners; Henry Gage, master. Reg. Feb. 11, 1812. Joseph Rose, Samuel Colby, Thomas Kendall, Boston, Edward Harvey, Boston, owners; Thomas Kendall, master.

ANN, Beverly, brig, 172 tons, Haverhill, 1805. Reg. Nov. 29, 1805. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owner; Robert Remmons, master.

ANN, Beverly, brig, 234 tons, Almsbury, 1807. Reg. May 16, 1808. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owner; Robert Remmons, master.

ANN, Danvers, sch., 128 tons, Danvers, 1817. Reg. Oct. 10, 1817. Michael Berry, Danvers, Benjamin Kent, Danvers, David Robbins, Salem, owners; William A. Russell, master.

ANN, Beverly, sch., 51 tons, Beverly, 1818. Reg. Dec. 22, 1820. George Whittredge, Beverly, John Pender, jr., Duncan Campbell, owners; John Corliss, master.

ANN, brig, 204 tons, Pembroke, 1815. Reg. July 21, 1821. Henry Prince, Henry Prince, jr., owners; Charles Millet, master. Reg. Aug. 7, 1827. Michael Shepard, Henry King, Henry Ropes, owners; Charles Millet, master. [Went to Zanzibar in June, 1826, while on a voyage to Mocha, opening the American trade with Zanzibar. About 1829 was dismasted and badly stove by a great storm while on her way to Africa. Arrived in Salem after 56 days hard work, under a jury rig. Was then condemned and broken up.]

ANN, Danvers, brig, 188 tons, Danvers, 1817. Reg. June 15, 1824. Nathaniel Putnam, Danvers, Thomas Cheever, Danvers, Benjamin Kent, Danvers, Michael Berry, owners; Michael Berry, master. [Lost in 1827.]

ANN ELIZABETH, brig, 196 tons, Charlestown, 1850. Tonnage reduced to 161, Sept., 1872. Reg. Nov. 17, 1858. Albert G. Brown, owner; Martin Johnson, master. Reg. Oct. 7, 1859. Charles Hoffman, owner; Joseph Lang, master. Reg. Feb. 23, 1861. Edward D. Kimball, owner; Thomas P. Pingree, master. Reg. Sept. 7, 1872. Frank B. Wilson, Charles E. Brown, owners; Charles E. Brown, master.

ANN MARIA, ship, 489 tons, Essex, 1843. Reg. Aug. 5, 1843. David Pingree, Charles Millett, owners; Charles Millett, master. [Oil painting by a Chinese artist. at Peabody

Academy of Science. Sold to New York owners about 1847 and finally used as a store ship at Melbourne, Australia.]

ANN MARIA, brig, 149 tons, Nobleboro, Me., 1847. Reg. Nov. 9, 1852. Chamberlain & Co., owners; W. H. Clay, master. Reg. Sept. 12, 1856. Charles Hoffman, owner; Henry Rider, master.

ANN & MARY, bark, 242 tons, Kingston, 1849. Reg. Feb. 26, 1855. William Hunt, Robert Brookhouse, Robert Brookhouse, jr., Joseph H. Hanson, owners; John Goldsmith, master.

ANN PARRY, bark, 348 tons, Portsmouth. N. H., 1824. Reg. June 20, 1849. Benjamin West, John Hodges, owners; W. M. Harron, master. [Sold in 1850 in California.]

ANNA, ship, 123 tons, Mount Pleasant, N. Y., 1796. Altered to a brig, Feb., 1806. Reg. Aug. 14, 1805. Benjamin Bullock, George Norton, Samuel Becket, owners; Benjamin Bullock, master.

ANNA, sch., 103 tons, Castine, 1797. Reg. June 12, 1809. Timothy Brooks, owner; Nathaniel Chritchett, master.

ANNA, brig. Reg. Feb. 7, 1806. John Gardner, jr., Richard Gardner, owners; Nathaniel Knight, master. Reg. Nov. 19, 1806. John Gardner, owner; John Lambert, master.

ANNIE G. QUINER, Beverly, sch., 97 tons, Newburyport, 1874. Reg. Nov. 30, 1878. William H. Quiner, owner; Neil Campbell, master.

ANOTER, Beverly, sch., 96 tons, Salisbury, 1803. Reg. Dec. 10, 1804. David Forins, jr., Beverly, owner; Thomas Stevens, master.

ANSON, Beverly, sch., 106 tons, Castine, 1800. Reg. Mar. 9, 1805. Thomas Woodbury, Beverly, Abner Chapman, Beverly, owners; Thomas Chapman, master.

ANSON, brig, 138 tons, Castine, 1800. Reg. June 19, 1815. Jeremiah L. Page, Abel Lawrence, Philip Chase, Abner Chase, owners; Jonathan Hammond, master. Reg. Jan. 16, 1818. Jeremiah L. Page, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, owners; Hasket D. Lang, master. Reg. Dec. 5, 1818. Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, owners; Hasket D. Lang, master. Reg. Apr. 13, 1820. Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, John Winn, Abijah Northey, Ezra Northey, Samuel Grove, owners; Samuel Grove, master.

ANTARES, Beverly, brig, 199 tons, Waldoboro, Me., 1838. Reg. Sept. 19, 1849. James Brant, Beverly, Edward Howe, Beverly, Israel Howe, Beverly, owners; Edward Howe, master. [Lost.]

ANTELOPE, brig, 212 tons, Salem, 1799. Reg. June 11, 1799. Elias H. Derby, Richard Derby, owners; Samuel Derby, master. Reg. Feb. 21, 1800. John Dutch, owner; John Gray, master.

APHIA, sch., 77 tons, Rowley, 1796. Reg. Feb. 16, 1804. Benjamin Pierce, owner; Timothy Wellman, 3rd, master. Reg. Sept. 8, 1804. Benjamin Ropes, James Ropes, owners; Joseph Henderson, master. [Lost at sea, 1807.]

ARAB, ship, 286 tons, Salisbury, 1801. Reg. Mar. 19, 1806. John Derby, Samuel G. Derby, John Prince, Boston, owners; John Barton, master. Reg. June 6, 1809. William Lander, Edward Lander, owners; Thomas Downing, master.

ARABIA, bark, 382 tons, Salem, 1857. Reg. July 2, 1857. Benjamin A. West, Isaac Cushing, David Moore, John A. West, Edward Brown, Samuel West, William Graves, Newburyport, owners; John Wallis, master. [Cast away at Cape of Good Hope on her first voyage, May, 1858.]

ARBELLA, ship, 404 tons, Bath, Me., 1825. Reg. Jan. 16, 1827, Boston. John Dike, William Haskell, Holten J. Breed, James Potter, William Foster, Beverly, owners; Robert G. Hooper, master. [Sold to Boston owners.]

ARCADE, sch., 125 tons, Susan's Island, Me., 1827. Reg. June 25, 1828. David Pingree, Francis Quarles, jr., owners; Francis Quarles, jr., master. Reg. Oct. 29, 1828. Francis Quarles, jr., owner; Francis Quarles, jr., master. [Cast away on the Hen and Chickens, 1832.]

ARGENTINE, bark, 298 tons, Salem, 1850. Reg. May 30, 1850. James Upton, Robert Upton, Luther Upton, George Upton, owners; George Upton, master. Reg. Jan. 6, 1854. James Upton, George Upton, Edwin Upton, John C. Osgood, owners; Edwin Upton, master. Reg. Nov. 5, 1855. Michael W. Shepard, John Bertram, James B. Curwin, J. B. Silsbee, A. Ward, Henry F. Shepard, owners; H. B. Putnam, master. Reg. Jan. 22, 1858. John Bertram, owner; John Lambert, master. [Lost at sea, 1858.]

ARGO, ship, 325 tons, Durham, N. H., 1803. Reg. Dec. 13, 1803. Stephen Field, Joseph Winn, John Winn, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, Thomas Whittredge, owners; Stephen Field, master. [Abijah Northey, jr., was also master.] Reg. May 25, 1807. Joseph Winn, John Winn, Stephen Field, owners; Stephen Field, master. Reg. July 27, 1808. Joseph Winn, John Winn, Thomas Whittredge, Stephen Field, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, owners; Stephen Field, master.

ARGO, sch., 140 tons, Salem, 1817. Altered to a brig, Oct., 1823. Reg. Nov. 14, 1818. William B. Parker, owner; W. B. Parker, jr., master. Reg. Oct. 3, 1823. William B. Parker, jr., owner; W. B. Parker, jr., master. [Sold in New York in 1824.]

ARGONAUT, ship, 306 tons, Medford, 1811. Reg. Nov. 5, 1817. Willard Peele, Richard Wheatland, Benjamin Dodge, Nathaniel Appleton, owners; Gamaliel Hodges, master.

ARGUS, brig, 125 tons, Barnstable, 1800. Reg. Nov. 2, 1803. John Dutch, Thorndike Deland, owners; David Tucker, master. Reg. May 2, 1804. John Dutch, jr., Thorndike Deland, owners; David Tucker, master. Reg. Sept. 30, 1807. Benjamin Chapman, Henry King, owners; Benjamin Chapman, master. Reg. Aug. 8, 1808. Benjamin Chapman, owner; Benjamin Chapman, master. Reg. July 31, 1809. Benjamin Ropes, Timothy Wellman, jr., owners; Benjamin Chapman, master. Reg. Apr. 1, 1811. Joseph Knapp, owner; Jonathan Skerry, master. Reg. Jan. 21, 1812. Joseph J. Knapp, Penn Townsend, owners; Isaac Knapp, master. Reg. May 30, 1815. James J. Knapp, owner; Thomas Holmes, master. Reg. Dec. 23, 1817. William V. Gray, James C. King, owners; Jonathan Skerry, master. [Sold to Portsmouth owners, Dec., 1818. Elisha Whitney was also master in 1805.]

ARROW, bark, 311 tons, Newburyport, 1855. Reg. July 26, 1855. James Upton, George Upton, Charles Upton, John C. Osgood, George Harrington, owners; George Harrington, master.

ARTHUR, sch., 100 tons, Thomaston, 1798. Reg. Aug. 31, 1802. John Andrew, Samuel Archer, John Fairfield, William B. Parker, owners; Christopher Babbidge, master. Reg. May 22, 1804. John Andrew, Samuel Archer 3d, William B. Parker, owners; Billy Moulton, master. Reg. Oct. 11, 1806. Thomas Williams, owner; Thomas Williams, master. Reg. May 28, 1808. Benjamin Hawkes, Richard Palfray, Thomas Brooks, owners; Jacob Anderson, master.

ARTHUR PICKERING, bark, 254 tons, Pembroke, 1847. Reg. Apr. 28, 1851. George West, Isaac Cushing, Ephraim Emerton, Benjamin Jackson, John G. Waters, Francis Brown, Benjamin A. West, John A. West, owners; Edward Brown, master. Reg. June 22, 1853. Benjamin A. West, John A. West, Isaac Cushing, John G. Waters, Ephraim Emerton, J. F. Webb, Benjamin Jackson, William Graves, Newburyport, owners; E. A. Emerton, master. Reg. May 14, 1856. Benjamin A. West, Isaac Cushing, David Moore, J. A. West, Edward Brown, Samuel West, William Graves, Newburyport, owners; Stephen Cloutman, master. Reg. Aug. 14, 1858. Benjamin A. West, Isaac Cushing, David Moore, Edward Brown, Samuel West, William Graves, Newburyport, owners; Stephen Cloutman, master. Reg. Aug. 5, 1859. Benjamin A. West, David Moore, Samuel West, Edward Brown, William Graves, Newburyport, owners; Stephen Cloutman, master.

ASIA, Beverly, ship, 274 tons, Scituate, 1803. Reg. Oct. 1, 1803. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, William Leach, Beverly, David Sears, Boston, owners; Benjamin Lovett 3d, master. Reg.

Jan. 12, 1805. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, William Leach, Beverly, Thomas Stevens, Beverly, David Sears, Boston, owners; Benjamin Lovett 3d, master.

ASTREA, ship, 360 tons, Pembroke, 1782. Reg. May 11, 1791. Elias H. Derby, owner; John Gibaut, master. [The Astrea made some of the early voyages to India and in 1793 was seized by the Sultan of Pegu, as a transport for his troops to Siam. Capt. Gibaut and his mate were detained as hostages. See Felt, Annals, II, 297.]

ASTREA, ship, 321 tons, Bradford, 1795. Reg. Mar. 21, 1796. Elias H. Derby, owner; Henry Prince, master. [The first American vessel to visit Manila, in 1796. A journal of this voyage kept by Nathaniel Bowditch, the mathematician, is at the Essex Institute. For account of this voyage, see Hist. of Essex County, I, 80.]

ASTREA, brig, 115 tons, Haverhill, 1806. Reg. Nov. 22, 1806. Edward West, Samuel Page, owners; Samuel Page, master. Reg. Apr. 9, 1810. Nathaniel West, owner; Abiel Wardwell, master. Reg. Feb. 11, 1811. Nathaniel West, jr., owner; Abiel Wardwell, master.

ATLANTIC, sch., 103 tons, Newcastle, 1798. Reg. Mar. 16, 1801. James Odell, Samuel Very, William Safford, owners; James Odell, master. Reg. Aug. 20, 1802. Isaac Hacker, owner; Isaac Hacker, master. Reg. Dec. 21, 1803. Ebenezer Learock, John Saunders, Elijah C. Webster, owners; Ebenezer Learock, master. Reg. Oct. 23, 1804. John Saunders, Elijah C. Webster, owners; Benjamin Jacob, master.

ATTEMPT, sch., 105 tons, Union River, 1802. Reg. July 21, 1804. William Gray, jr., owner; Tobias Davis, master. [Condemned at Barbadoes, Mar., 1807.]

AUDUBON, bark, 531 tons, Fairhaven, 1846. Reg. Mar. 8, 1852, Boston. Tucker Daland, Henry T. Daland, Henry L. Williams, owners; Thomas Fuller, master. [Burnt in 1860.]

AUGUSTA, brig, 127 tons, Duxbury, 1800. Reg. Oct. 31, 1803. John Collins, John Osgood, Abijah Northey, jr., owners; Abijah Northey, master. Reg. Feb. 25, 1805. Nathaniel West, owner; Nathaniel W. Williams, master. Reg. Apr. 25, 1806. Samuel Cook, owner; Samuel Cook, master. Reg. Nov. 20, 1807. James Silver, Richard Wheatland, James Cook, owners; Joseph Noble, master. Reg. June 24, 1809. Joseph Peabody, Gideon Tucker, owners; Timothy Harraden, master. Reg. Dec. 20, 1820. Gideon Tucker, owner; Jacob Lee, master. [Samuel Rea was also registered as master, April 18, 1815.]

AUGUSTA, sch., Danvers, 125 tons, Salisbury, 1804. Reg. Nov. 2, 1807. Caleb Oakes, Danvers, owner; Joseph Stickney, master. [Sold to Beverly owner, Sept., 1809.] Reg. Sept. 18,

1809. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owner; Joseph Stickney, master.

AUGUSTINE HEARD, ship, 491 tons, Newbury, 1843. Reg. Dec. 4, 1845, Boston. John H. Silsbee, Benjamin H. Silsbee, Benjamin W. Stone, William Stone, W. D. Pickman, George T. Saunders, owners; Charles D. Huntington, master. [Sold in 1857 to New York owners, and a few years later, condemned at Rio Janeiro.]

AUGUSTUS, ship, 246 tons, Salem, 1805. Altered to a bark, Nov. 30, 1839. Reg. Dec. 24, 1805. Joseph Peabody, Gideon Tucker, owners; Moses Endicott, master. Reg. Nov. 30, 1820. Joseph Peabody, owner; John E. Giddings, master. Reg. Dec. 7, 1833. Nathaniel L. Rogers, J. W. Rogers, Richard S. Rogers, owners; George W. Lamson, master. [Thomas Cheever and Samuel Rea were also masters.] Reg. Nov. 30, 1839. John W. Rogers, Nathaniel L. Rogers, Richard S. Rogers, Charles Millett, Charles D. Mugford, owners; Charles D. Mugford, master. [Finally broken up in the early '40's.]

AURORA, ship, 222 tons, Haverhill, 1791. Reg. Dec. 17, 1791. William Gray, jr., owner; Thomas Meek, master.

AURORA, sch., 109 tons, Duxbury, 1802. Reg. Oct. 3, 1805. Samuel Gray, owner; William Hammond, master. [Sold to Marblehead owners, June, 1806.]

AURORA, ship, 367 tons, Charlestown, 1815. Reg. Feb. 26, 1819. Willard Peele, James Silver, Richard Wheatland, Benjamin Dodge, Robert W. Gould, owners; Robert W. Gould, master. [Lost in Brazil, 1823.]

AURORA, ship, 1396 tons, Chelsea, 1853. Reg. Nov. 19, 1853. Boston. Benjamin W. Stone, William Stone, John H. Silsbee, Benjamin H. Silsbee, William D. Pickman, George T. Saunders, owners; Nathaniel Brown, master. [Half-hull model and photograph of original painting at Peabody Academy of Science. Sold, June, 1863, at Melbourne, and put under English flag. Burned off Bombay, about 1867, by the captain and officers, who were afterward convicted of the crime.]

AUSTRALIA, ship, 534 tons, Medford, 1849. Reg. May 17, 1849. Benjamin W. Stone, William Stone, John H. Silsbee, Benjamin H. Silsbee, William D. Pickman, George T. Saunders, owners; William J. Cheever, master. [Water-color painting and half-hull model in Peabody Academy of Science. Sold in 1861 to Boston owners, and afterward wrecked at Maulmain about 1868.]

BACKUS, bark, 195 tons, Philadelphia, Penn., 1830. Reg. Nov. 26, 1849. Henry W. Perkins, Daniel B. Gardner, Richard Davis, Caleb M. Ames, Jonathan Whipple, Isaac W. Shannon,

William B. Smith, John C. Howard, Charles R. Julyn, Anthony A. Caulfield, owners; Anthony A. Caulfield, master. [Sold in California.]

BALANCE, Beverly, sch., 59 tons, Essex, 1838. Reg. Feb. 23, 1865. David Crowell, Beverly, owner; J. P. L. Wescott, master.

BALTIMORE, brig, 97 tons, Salem, 1830. Reg. Dec. 18, 1830. Thomas P. Pingree, owner; Henry Town, master. [Sold in Maranhham, 1836.]

BALTIMORE PACKET, sch., 128 tons, Salem, 1791. Reg. Oct. 19, 1791. Francis B. Dennis, owner; Francis B. Dennis, master. Reg. Oct. 26, 1792. Francis B. Dennis, William Safford, Samuel Jones, owners; Francis B. Dennis, master. Reg. Apr. 3, 1793. Samuel Jones, owner; Samuel Jones, master.

BANIAN, brig, 216 tons, Rochester, 1819. Reg. Dec. 7, 1819. Gideon Barstow, owner; Ephraim Safford, master. Reg. Dec. 17, 1822. Benjamin Barstow, Gideon Barstow, owners; James Barstow, master.

BARSTOW, sch., 80 tons, Rochester, 1815. Reg. Jan. 23, 1819. Joseph Howard, Henry Osgood, Baltimore, Robert H. Osgood, Baltimore, owners; James King, jr., master. [Sold to Philadelphia owners, 1826.]

BECKET, brig, 128 tons, Salem, 1818. Reg. Dec. 10, 1818. John Crowninshield, John Dodge, owners; Benjamin Shillaber, jr., master. [Last vessel built by the celebrated Retire Becket. Essex Inst. Hist. Coll. vii, 207.]

BEE, sch., 68 tons, Salem, 1786. Reg. Dec. 10, 1789. William Gray, jr., owner; Hezekiah Wallace, master. Reg. July 5, 1790. Stephen Osborne, owner; James Snow, master. Reg. July 27, 1794. Zachariah Burchmore, Joshua Ward, John Foster, owners; John Foster, master.

BELISARICS, ship, 209 tons, Salem, 1794. Vessel's tonnage changed to 261, Nov., 1795. Reg. Nov. 22, 1794. George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr., John Crowninshield, owners; George Crowninshield, jr., master. Reg. Sept. 12, 1798. Benjamin Crowninshield, Jacob Crowninshield, John Crowninshield, owners; Benjamin Crowninshield, master. Reg. May 20, 1799. John Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr., Jacob Crowninshield, Benjamin Crowninshield, Richard Crowninshield, owners; Edward Allen, master. Reg. Mar. 22, 1805. Benjamin Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, George Crowninshield, jr., Jacob Crowninshield, owners; Robert Peele, master. Reg. July 14, 1809. Richard Crowninshield, George Burchmore, owners; George Burchmore, master. [Lost near Tunis in April, 1810.]

BELLA, Beverly, sch., 51 tons, Danvers, 1786. Reg. Jan. 26, 1810. Samuel Goodridge, Beverly, owner; Henry Gage, master.

BELLEISLE, bgtne., 119 tons, Salem, 1803. Reg. June 28, 1803. Robert Leach, sr., Robert Leach, jr., owners; Samuel Leach, master. [Thomas Bowditch, jr., was also master, Feb. 8, 1804.] Reg. Sept. 19, 1806. Thomas Perkins, owner; John Felt, master.

BELLONA, sch., 99 tons, Enfield, Conn., 1795. Reg. Aug. 27, 1801. David Patten, Peter Frye, owners; Peter Frye, master. Reg. Sept. 7, 1803. David Patten, Joseph Perkins, owners; David Patten, master. Reg. June 6, 1804. David Patten, David Ropes, Joseph Perkins, owners; Joseph Perkins, master. Reg. May 30, 1805. David Patten, owner; David Patten, master.

BENGAL, ship, 304 tons, Salem, 1816. Reg. Oct. 19, 1816. Pickering Dodge, owner; Thomas Dennis, master. Reg. Mar. 23, 1832. Pickering Dodge, Joseph Peabody, Benjamin Pickman, Nathan Robinson, George Cleveland, Archelaus Rea, Benjamin Merrill, George West, Richard Savory, Tucker Daland, Michael Shepard, Thomas Perkins, Thomas P. Bancroft, Thomas P. Pingree, John B. Osgood, owners; George G. Russell, master. Reg. July 9, 1835. John B. Osgood, Joseph Peabody, Benjamin Pickman, Benjamin Merrill, George West, Richard Savory, Tucker Daland, Michael Shepard, Thomas Perkins, Thomas P. Bancroft, Thomas P. Pingree, Caleb Smith, owners; George Netcher, master. Reg. July 24, 1840. John B. Osgood, owner; Benjamin Jackson, master. [Used latterly as a whaler out of Salem; sold in New London, 1844.]

BENJAMIN, bgt., 141 tons, Danvers, 1786. Reg. Mar. 3, 1790. Benjamin Needham, owner; Nathaniel Brookhouse, master. [Vessel lost.]

BENJAMIN, ship, 161 tons, Salem, 1792. Reg. Dec. 6, 1792. Elias H. Derby, owner; Nathaniel Silsbee, master. [Tonnage altered to 169, July 3, 1798. Richard Gardner and Benjamin Bullock were also masters. For an account of the voyages of this ship, when both master and mate were under twenty-one years, see Memoir of Nathaniel Silsbee, Essex Institute Historical Collections, xxxv, 5-12.]

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Beverly, brig, 163 tons, Pembroke, 1838. Altered to a bark, June, 1852. Reg. Apr. 1, 1850. Frederick W. Choate, Beverly, Seth Clark, Salisbury, Zenos W. Wright, Sandwich, owners; Hiram Price, master. Reg. June 5, 1852. Frederick W. Choate, Beverly, R. & J. Pickett, Beverly, Seth Clark, jr., Salisbury, Charles A. Kilham, Wenham, owners; Foster Brown, master. [Used as a whaler.]

BENJAMIN STANNARD, sch., 69 tons, New Haven, Conn., 1849. Reg. Aug. 3, 1860. Charles Hoffman, owner; John C. Petry, master.

BETSEY, sch., 91 tons, Salem, 1783. Reg. Nov. 9, 1789. David Pierce, owner; Francis B. Dennis, master. Reg. Mar. 4, 1790. Peter Lander, owner; Peter Lander, master. Reg. Mar. 17, 1792. Jonathan Neall, owner; Jonathan Neall, master.

BETSEY, sch., 66 tons, Danvers, 1773. Reg. Dec. 9, 1789. Joshua Ward, Joseph Henfield, owners; George Chapman, master. May 27, 1794. John Tucker, John Norris, owners; Andrew Tucker, master. Reg. Dec. 13, 1794. Joshua Ward, owner; Jonathan Lander, master. Reg. Apr. 6, 1795. Isaac Flinn, Joseph B. Smith, owners; Nathaniel Archer, master. Reg. May 28, 1795. Hardy Ropes, owner; Elias Grant, master. Reg. Feb. 24, 1796. Joseph Peabody, owner; Joseph Strout, master. Reg. Dec. 4, 1797. Robert Leach, owner; James Mansfield, master. [William Edwards was also master, Feb. 8, 1799. Sold to Manchester owners, Mar., 1815.]

BETSEY, sch., 66 tons, Salem, 1786. Reg. Feb. 27, 1790. Lydia Tucker, owner; Jonathan Tucker, master.

BETSEY, Ipswich, sch., 67 tons, Pittston, 1784. Reg. Mar. 5, 1790. Nathaniel Kinsman, owner; Nathaniel Kinsman, master. [Sold to Beverly owners, July, 1793.]

BETSEY, sch., 25 tons, Duxbury, 1788. Reg. Oct. 26, 1789. Robert Selden, owner; Nathaniel Brookhouse, master.

BETSEY, bgtne., 132 tons, Marshfield, 1783. Reg. Apr. 21, 1790. John Fisk, owner; Nathaniel Phippen, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 72 tons, Pepperrellborough, 1787. Reg. Apr. 27, 1790. Joshua Ellingwood, Beverly, owner; Joshua Ellingwood, master. [Vessel lost.]

BETSEY, sch., 85 tons, Lynn, 1787. Reg. Nov. 23, 1790. James Cheever, owner; James Cheever, master. Reg. Oct. 21, 1794. Moses Townsend, Benjamin Crowninshield, owners; Samuel Townsend, master. Reg. July 9, 1795. Benjamin Crowninshield, James Cheever, Moses Townsend, owners; Samuel Townsend, master. Reg. Apr. 13, 1798. Benjamin Crowninshield, James Cheever, owners; Joseph Brown, master. Reg. Aug. 22, 1799. James Cheever, Benjamin Crowninshield, Jonathan Mason, owners; Joseph Brown, master. Reg. July 9, 1800. David Smith, owner; David Smith, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 69 tons, Salisbury, 1789. Reg. Mar. 7, 1791. Benjamin Lovett, Beverly, owner; John Thissel, master. [Osmond Thorndike and Jonathan Batchelder were also masters.]

BETSEY, sch., 70 tons, Salisbury, 1784. Reg. Mar. 24, 1791. William Gray, jr., owner; Joseph Leach, master. Reg. Sept.

27, 1791. James Odell, owner; James Odell, master. Reg. Apr. 30, 1793. David Smith, owner; George Chapman, master. Reg. Sept. 3, 1794. Samuel Curwin, owner; George Chapman, master. Reg. Feb. 10, 1795. Hardy Ropes, owner; George Chapman, master. Reg. Feb. 24, 1800. David Smith, owner; David Smith, master.

BETSEY, sch., 108 tons, Salem, 1792. Tonnage changed to 122, May, 1803; altered to a brig, June, 1799. Reg. July 27, 1792. Jerathmiel Peirce, Aaron Waitt, owners; Henry Prince, master. [Israel Williams, Timothy Ropes, and Abiel Wardwell, were also masters.] Reg. Nov. 8, 1817. George Nichols, Benjamin Peirce, Henry Peirce, Charles Saunders, William Ropes, Boston, owners; Timothy Ropes, master. Reg. Dec. 19, 1818. George Nichols, Benjamin Peirce, Charles Saunders, Henry Peirce, owners; Timothy Ropes, master. Reg. Apr. 27, 1821. John Dike, Jeremiah Briggs, John Winn, owners; William Foster, master. Reg. Feb. 27, 1822. John Dike, John Andrew, owners; John Hayman, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 67 tons, Pittston, 1784. Reg. July 13, 1793. Moses Brown, Beverly, Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owners; Nathaniel Kinsman, master.

BETSEY, Ipswich, bgtne., 157 tons, Ipswich, 1793. Reg. Oct. 24, 1793. Jabez Farley, owner; Robert Farley, master. [Sold to Boston owners, July, 1794.]

BETSEY, sch., 65 tons, Ipswich, 1787. Reg. June 24, 1794. John Norris, William Tuck, Manchester, owners; John Burchmore, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 69 tons, Salisbury, 1789. Reg. June 17, 1794. Benjamin Lovett, Beverly, owner; Jonathan Batchelder, master. [Sold to Salem owners, May, 1796.]

BETSEY, sch., 48 tons, Georgetown, 1791. Reg. Oct. 3, 1794. Samuel Ward, owner; Christopher Babbidge, master. Reg. Dec. 6, 1794. Samuel Ward, Ebenezer Beckford, Daniel Saunders, owners; Christopher Babbidge, master.

BETSEY, ship, 189 tons, Salem, 1795. Reg. May 14, 1795. Daniel Pierce, owner; Daniel Pierce, master. Reg. Feb. 24, 1796. Daniel Pierce, Nathaniel Silsbee, owners; Nathaniel Silsbee, master. Reg. Jan. 26, 1798. Edward Allen, owner; Edward Allen, master. Reg. Jan. 29, 1799. Benjamin Hodges, Ichabod Nichols, Gamaliel Hodges, Edward Allen, owners; Timothy Bryant, master.

BETSEY, ship, 218 tons, Wells, 1795. Reg. June 18, 1795. William Gray, owner; Philip Bessom, jr., master. Reg. Nov. 26, 1796. Samuel Gray, William Gray, Josiah Orne, Sylvanus Gray, Boston, owners; Josiah Orne, master. Reg. Sept. 24, 1800. William Gray, owner; John C. Blackler, master.

BETSEY, brig, 132 tons, Marshfield, 1783. Reg. Apr. 18, 1796. Nathaniel Phippen, Jacob Very, owners; Nathaniel Phippen, master. Reg. May 13, 1797. Jacob Very, owner; Jacob Very, master.

BETSEY, sch., 44 tons, Boston, 1783. Reg. Apr. 18, 1796. William Butman, Benjamin Butman, owners; William Butman, master.

BETSEY, sch., 69 tons, Salisbury, 1789. Reg. May 27, 1796. Benjamin Hodges, Ichabod Nichols, owners; Robert Peele, master. [Sold to Alexandria owners, May, 1797.]

BETSEY, sch., 22 tons, Brunswick, 1795. Reg. Sept. 12, 1796. Samuel Derby, owner; Samuel Derby, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 88 tons, Pepperrellborough, 1791. Reg. Oct. 13, 1797. William Kimball, Beverly, William Holman, Beverly, Daniel Herrick, Beverly, owners; William Kimball, master. Reg. Feb. 7, 1799. Daniel Herrick, Beverly, Thomas Woodbury, Beverly, Ebenezer Giles, owners; Ebenezer Giles, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 71 tons, Salisbury, 1785. Reg. Jan. 4, 1799. John Lovett, Beverly, Elizabeth Lovett, Beverly, owners; Jeremiah Lovett, master. Reg. Mar. 5, 1802. Jonathan H. Lovett, Beverly, owner; Jonathan H. Lovett, master.

BETSEY, sch., 60 tons, Salem, 1789. Reg. Mar. 19, 1799. Hugh Hill, owner; Joseph Day, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 68 tons, Ipswich, 1785. Reg. May 10, 1799. John Dyson, Beverly, Thomas Dyson, Beverly, owners; Thomas Dyson, master.

BETSEY, sch., 50 tons, Amesbury, 1787. Reg. July 23, 1799. Cornelius Bartlett, Israel Very, owners; Samuel Townsend, master.

BETSEY, sch., 88 tons, Pepperrellborough, 1791. Reg. Jan. 31, 1800. Benjamin Hawkes, John Babbidge, Jonathan Becket, owners; Benjamin Babbidge, master. Reg. June 23, 1801. Jonathan Mason, Samuel Archer, Jonathan Becket, owners; Benjamin Babbidge, master. Reg. Jan. 7, 1802. Jonathan Mason, Samuel Archer, 3d, owners; Benjamin Babbidge, master. Reg. June 6, 1803. Jonathan Mason, Samuel Archer, John Fairfield, Daniel Hathorne, owners; Daniel Hathorne, master. Reg. Apr. 26, 1804. Daniel Hathorne, Jonathan Mason, John Fairfield, owners; Daniel Hathorne, master. Reg. Aug. 24, 1804. Samuel Archer, 3d, John Andrew, owners; William Low, master. [Vessel sold in Havana, 1805.]

BETSEY, sch., 106 tons, Bristol, 1797. Reg. Apr. 3, 1801. Timothy Brooks, Andrew Reed, Georgetown, William M. Reed, Boothbay, owners; William M. Reed, master. Reg.

Nov. 27, 1801. Jonathan Neall, Benjamin Smith, Edward Smith, owners; Edward Smith, master. Reg. Jan. 14, 1804. Jonathan Neall, Edward Smith, owners; Edward Smith, master. Reg. Jan. 9, 1807. Benjamin Hawkes, John Babbidge, owners; John Babbidge, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 82 tons, Danvers, 1801. Reg. Dec. 25, 1801. Samuel Goodridge, Beverly, owner; Joseph Thissel, master. [Sold to Salem owners, Dec., 1809. Zebulon Woodbury was also master.]

BETSEY, sch., 114 tons, Steuben, 1801. Altered to a brigantine, Apr., 1803. Tonnage changed to 154, Apr., 1805. Reg. Oct. 4, 1802. Joseph Peabody, Gideon Tucker, owners; Andrew Tucker, master.

BETSEY, ship, 207 tons, Bristol, 1802. Reg. Sept. 13, 1803. Nathaniel Pierce, Abel Lawrence, Jeremiah L. Page, George Pierce, owners; Jeremiah L. Page, master. Reg. Oct. 3, 1805. John Dutch, jr., Thorndike Deland, jr., owners; George Dutch, master. Reg. Aug. 25, 1807. Thorndike Deland, owner; William Mugford, master.

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 100 tons, Salisbury, 1785. Reg. Jan. 5, 1804. Jonathan H. Lovett, Beverly, owner; Jonathan H. Lovett, master. [Sold to Salem owners, June, 1811.]

BETSEY, brig, 121 tons, Salisbury, 1787. Reg. Jan. 7, 1804. Benjamin Ropes, James Ropes, owners; Daniel Ropes, master. Reg. Jan. 29, 1806. Timothy Wellman, jr., owner; James Silver, master. Reg. May 7, 1806. Benjamin Ropes, James Ropes, owners; James Silver, master.

BETSEY, brig, 92 tons, Amesbury, 1800. Reg. Aug. 28, 1806. Jonathan Shillaber, John Shillaber, owners; Jonathan Shillaber, master. Reg. June 23, 1809. John Gardner, jr., owner; Edward Stanley, master. Reg. April 1, 1812. John Dike, owner; John Dike, master. [John Reith was also master.]

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 82 tons, Amesbury, 1804. Reg. Jan. 10, 1807. Israel Conant, Beverly, owner; William Pousland, master.

BETSEY, sch., 107 tons, Newcastle, 1805. Altered to a brig Aug., 1808. Vessel's tonnage changed to 149, Jan. 8, 1812. Reg. Jan. 12, 1807. John Dutch, jr., Thorndike Deland, owners; Samuel King, master. Reg. Mar. 21, 1810. Thorndike Deland, Joseph J. Knapp, Archelaus Rea, Thomas M. Woodbridge, owners; John Florence, master. Reg. Jan. 23, 1811. Joseph J. Knapp, owner; Nathaniel Phippen, master. [Ezra J. Dutch and Joseph Noble were also masters.]

BETSEY, sch., 120 tons, Bristol, 1803. Altered to a brig Apr., 1812. Reg. Apr. 22, 1809. John Morong, owner; Daniel Low, master. Reg. Feb. 27, 1810. Joseph Perkins, owner; Joseph Perkins, master. Reg. Apr. 23, 1811. Joseph

Beadle, William Allen, owners. Reg. Apr. 10, 1812. John Crowninshield, owner; James M. Fairfield, master. [Sold to Boston owners, Apr., 1814.]

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 72 tons, Salem, 1804. Reg. May 11, 1809. Asa Lamson, Beverly, Samuel Lamson, Beverly, Samuel Cox, Beverly, owners; Asa Lamson, master. [Sold to Salem owners, Nov., 1809.]

BETSEY, sch., 72 tons, Salem, 1804. Reg. Nov. 16, 1809. John Dutch, jr., Thorndike Deland, owners; Thomas Holmes, master.

BETSEY, sch., 82 tons, Danvers, 1801. Reg. Dec. 25, 1809. Josiah Orne, owner; John D. Wilson, master.

BETSEY, sch., 100 tons, Salisbury, 1785. Reg. June 27, 1811. Nathaniel Silsbee, Robert Stone, Robert Stone, jr., Joseph White, jr., owners; Nathaniel Cheever, master.

BETSEY, sch., 82 tons. Captured in War of 1812. Reg. June 15, 1813. William Manning, owner.

BETSEY, sch., 89 tons, Lynn, 1805. Reg. Oct. 24, 1821. Benjamin Chapman, owner; Benjamin Chapman, master. [Cast away in Martinico, 1822.]

BETSEY, Beverly, sch., 110 tons, Amesbury, 1804. Reg. May 5, 1826. Ingalls Kittridge, Beverly, Samuel Obear, Beverly, owners; Joseph Robinson, master.

BILLOW, brig, 173 tons, Gardiner, Me., 1836. Reg. Nov. 14, 1855. O. P. Ricker, William Pickering, owners; Thomas Bates, master. Reg. May 25, 1861. Moses C. Reynolds, D. B. Gardner, jr., owners; David Hodgdon, master.

BIRD, sch., 80 tons, Amesbury, 1803. Reg. Jan. 11, 1812. Ezra Smith, Robert Leach, owners; Jeremiah Shepard, jr., master. Reg. Nov. 23, 1812. Greenleaf Porter, John Joseph, owners; Ezra Smith, master.

BLACK EAGLE, bark, 228 tons, Sag Harbor, N. Y., 1851. Reg. Oct. 20, 1874. David Crowell, Beverly, Francis J. Crowell, Beverly, John W. Phillips, Beverly, Moses C. Reynolds, owners; John W. Phillips, master.

BLACK WARRIOR, ship, 231 tons, Duxbury, 1825. Reg. Sept. 5, 1826. John W. Rogers, Nathaniel L. Rogers, Richard S. Rogers, Charles Hill, owners; Charles Hill, master. Reg. Dec. 5, 1828. John W. Rogers, Nathaniel L. Rogers, Richard S. Rogers, owners; George W. Putnam, master. [Sold to Boston owners in 1842.]

BLAKELEY, brig, 233 tons, Salem, 1816. Reg. July 12, 1816. William Fabens, owner; David Crafts, master.

BOLD RUNNER, sch., 72 tons, Bristol, Me., 1830. Reg. Nov. 10, 1849. Benjamin Webb, John Hodges, William P. Goodhue, owners; Kelly Eldridge, master. Reg. Oct. 20, 1851, John Hodges, Benjamin Webb, owners; Kelly Eldridge, master.

BOLINA, ship, 260 tons, Danvers, 1811. Reg. Feb. 19, 1812, John Dutch, jr., Thorndike Deland, Jonathan P. Saunders, owners; John Fairfield, master.

BOLIVAR LIBERATOR, brig, 224 tons, Chatham, 1825. Reg. May 5, 1831. Putnam I. Farnham, Jed Frye, owners; James Garney, master. [Sold in New York, Oct., 1831.]

BONETTA, ship, 227 tons, Duxbury, 1800. Reg. Mar. 1, 1803. Simon Forester, Benjamin Pickman, jr., Thomas B. Osgood owners; Benjamin Russell, master. Reg. Mar. 19, 1804. Nathan Robinson, Pickering Dodge, Nathaniel Appleton, Thomas B. Osgood, owners; Thomas B. Osgood, master. Reg. Dec. 1, 1804. Jonathan Gardner, Nathan Robinson, Pickering Dodge, Nathaniel Appleton, owners; Archelaus Rea, master.

BORNEO, ship, 213 tons, Salem, 1799. Reg. Sept. 13, 1799. John Gibaut, James Dunlap, Boston, George G. Smith, Boston, owners; John Gibaut, master.

BORNEO, ship, 297 tons, Salem, 1831. Reg. Dec. 2, 1831. Dudley L. Pickman, Nathaniel Silsbee, William Silsbee, Zachariah F. Silsbee, Nathaniel Silsbee, jr., Robert Stone, owners; James D. Gillis, master. Reg. June 2, 1834. Zachariah F. Silsbee, Dudley L. Pickman, Nathaniel Silsbee, Nathaniel Silsbee, jr., Benjamin H. Silsbee, Robert Stone, owners; John Nichols, jr., master. [Photograph of an original painting, at the Peabody Academy of Science. Afterward altered to a barque and abandoned in the North Atlantic, Jan. 1, 1854.]

BOSTON, ship, 430 tons. [Entered in Salem directory of 1837, as of Salem.]

BOSTON, sch., 53 tons, Baltimore, Md., 1833. Reg. May 24, 1843. Walter B. Whiting, owner; Walter B. Whiting, master.

BOSTON, brig, 170 tons, Scituate, 1833. Reg. Sept. 24, 1833. Charles H. Fabens, Samuel E. Fabens, owners; George F. Fiske, master. [Ran ashore in Massachusetts Bay in 1855 and was lost.]

BOSTON PACKET, ship, 184 tons. Altered to a bark, July, 1807. Reg. Apr. 22, 1805. Samuel Archer, 3d, William B. Parker, Philip Chase, Abijah Chase, Joshua Pope, owners; Thomas Bowditch, master. Reg. July 11, 1807. Samuel Archer, 3d, John Andrew, William B. Parker, owners; John Florence, master. Reg. May 11, 1808. Samuel Archer, 3d, John Andrew, Joseph Baker, owners; David Smith, master. Reg. Mar. 31, 1809. Samuel Archer, 3d, owner; James Mansfield, master. Reg. Dec. 19, 1809. Pickering Dodge, Dudley L. Pickman, Henry Pickering, Humphrey Devereux, owners; James Mansfield, master. Reg. June 12, 1811. Samuel Archer, 4th, James Mansfield, owners; James Mansfield, master.

BOXER, Beverly, sch., 73 tons, Plymouth, 1818. Reg. Dec. 21, 1825. Israel Thorndike, Beverly, owner; Stephen Woodbury, master.

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BRAMIN, Beverly, bgtne., 241 tons, Newbury, 1815. Reg. Apr. 29, 1816. William Leach, Beverly, Israel Thorndike, Boston, owners; Jonathan Batchelder, master.

BRAMIN, brig., 185 tons, Baltimore, Md., 1851. Reg. May 23, 1851. Thomas P. Pingree, owner; Charles R. Wilkins, master.

BRAZIL, bark, 250 tons, Wells, Me., 1832. Reg. Feb. 7, 1838. William B. Parker, John F. Andrew, owners; Richard S. Noble, master. Reg. Jan. 7, 1843. William B. Parker, John F. Andrew, Francis Brown, owners; Nathaniel Andrew, master. Reg. Sept. 27, 1845. William B. Parker, John F. Andrew, owners; Nathaniel Andrew, master. [Sold to Boston owners, 1847.]

BRAZILIAN, brig. 163 tons, Prospect, Me., 1841. Reg. Feb. 2, 1853. Benjamin Webb, Joseph B. Webb, John Hodges, owners; Charles Leach, master. [Alfred Bray was also master in 1854.]

BRENDA, ship, 343 tons, Newbury, 1832. Altered to a bark, Sept., 1841. Reg. Dec. 2, 1839. John Bertram, Michael Shepard, William Sutton, Nathaniel Weston, Andrew Ward, owners; William B. Smith, master. Reg. Apr. 23, 1844. Michael Shepard, John Bertram, Andrew Ward, Nathaniel Weston, owners; Henry G. Bridges, master. [Andrew Ward was registered as master Sept. 21, 1841. Sold to Boston owners, Dec., 1845.]

BRITANNIA, Beverly, sch., 67 tons, Salisbury, 1791. Reg. Jan. 3, 1795. Zachariah Gage, Beverly, owner; Joshua Foster, master.

BRITANNIA, Beverly, sch., 72 tons, Salisbury, 1797. Reg. Dec. 17, 1804. Josiah Page, Beverly, John Page, Beverly, owners; Zachariah Morgan, master. Reg. Dec. 27, 1816. Nicholas Thorndike, Beverly, Thomas Stephens, Beverly, owners; Andrew Simmons, master.

BRITANNIA, brig, 197 tons. Captured in War of 1812. Reg. Dec. 5, 1818. Stephen White, Joseph White, John Dodge, John Treadwell, owners; Samuel Tucker, master. Reg. Dec. 1, 1819. Stephen White, Joseph White, Henry White, jr., John Dodge, owners; Abiel Wardwell, master.

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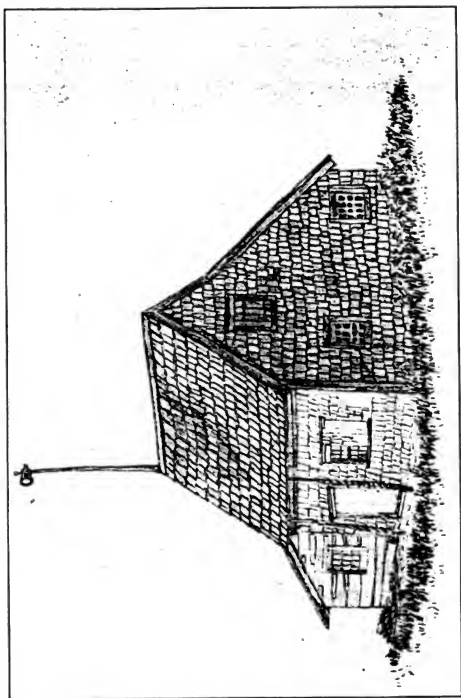
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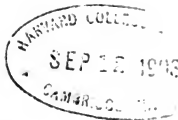
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"THE FIRST MEETING-HOUSE."

As it appeared in 1861, when standing on land of David Nichols.
From a pencil sketch by James H. Emerton in 1861

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE
AUTHENTICITY OF THE FIRST
MEETING HOUSE IN SALEM.

TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE ESSEX INSTITUTE :

Shortly before the civil war the attention of the Essex Institute was called to a small dilapidated out-building, put to very homely uses, on the premises of David Nichols, a short distance off Boston Street, in Salem.

The frame of that building was, in 1865, presented to the Essex Institute and, with certain restorations, was set up and covered in by a new roof and new walls, furnished with a door and windows, and given the outward appearance it has ever since presented of a plain but tasteful structure. Its dimensions have been called twenty feet by seventeen feet.

The actual exterior dimensions of the structure, as restored, are twenty feet eight inches by sixteen feet eight inches. The interior dimensions are nineteen feet six inches by fifteen feet six inches.

The frame was accepted as the identical frame of the first meeting-house erected in Salem and the Institute has since substantially vouched for its genuineness.

There has from the first been some dissent from this position, mostly of a quiet nature. Comparatively

recently the authenticity of the claim made for the frame has been publicly challenged and publicly defended by antiquarians of acknowledged repute. Growing out of this discussion, the official position or attitude of the Essex Institute to be taken on the disputed question was for the first time called sharply in issue at a meeting of the Directors, March 5, 1900, and thereupon a committee was appointed "to consider the general question as to the authenticity of the so-called First Meeting House now preserved by the Essex Institute in the rear of Plummer Hall, with instructions to report as speedily as possible."

Certain changes from the original membership of the committee have occurred, all of which, together with its organization and proceedings are detailed in the report of its secretary, Mr. Ezra D. Hines, herewith filed.

A preliminary report to the Directors, dated January 7, 1901, represented that the committee desired to secure and consider, in addition to evidence already known, all such other evidence as might be found "as the result of impartial expert examination of all church, town and county records, and other original and historical sources of information available;" and upon the recommendation of the committee authority was given to employ some person of known skill and integrity to make such examination. The committee, acting under this authority, employed Sidney Perley, Esquire, of Salem, to make such professional research. He attended to that duty faithfully and well, and the results of his work, bound in a manuscript volume of two hundred and ten pages, are filed herewith for preservation. In his preface, Mr. Perley says that his purpose has been simply to gather the evidence, not to present any argument nor proffer conclusions, and he has throughout his work conscientiously adhered to this declaration.

The committee as finally constituted, to wit, the subscribers, respectfully submit to the Directors this their final report. Though it has not been made "as speedily as possible," the delay was not due to divided opinions, or inability to come long ago to the conclusion here presented.

The questions stated and considered by the committee

of 1859 are these: "Is this the frame of the first Church, erected in 1634?" Is there, in records and reliable tradition, evidence to warrant a belief that it is?"

We are forced to the belief that the frame here preserved is not the frame of the meeting-house which was built in Salem before 1639, and that there is not, in records and reliable tradition, evidence to warrant a belief that it is.

The view that the frame, here preserved, is the identical frame of the first Puritan meeting-house, starts with and is founded upon mere tradition. There can be no question as to the insecurity of such a foundation, unsupported by corroboratory evidence, for the serious assertion of a most interesting and startling historic fact.

It has been claimed that there is corroboratory evidence, first, in identity of dimensions; second, in interior construction. Thus upon tradition and alleged corroboratory evidence, the case for authenticity rests.

What of the tradition? What of the evidence?

I. THE TRADITION.

A simple statement of the known facts concerning it is a good illustration of the insecurity of traditions in general, and a sufficient demonstration of the insecurity of this tradition in particular.

In an open letter by the late Mr. Gilbert L. Streeter, published in 1900, as collateral to the controverted question we are considering, he declared that a short time previous to July, 1859, he had published in a Salem newspaper an account of a ramble along the course of an ancient highway skirting the base of Gallows Hill, and therein referred to an old building (the one in controversy) as having once been a part of an ancient tavern known as Tompkin's Inn, and that in this article he used these words:—"The reader may have seen this old tavern, back of Blubber Hollow, and may have mused upon its antiquity. Some who prefer what is interesting to what is strictly matter of fact, like to consider it as the original first church,—or meeting-house, as the godly and extra anti-papal fathers of the early days styled their houses of worship."

Mr. Streeter adds: "I thus happened to be the first person who called public attention to this ancient and interesting building, as it then was, and one of the few who saw it in its dirty and dilapidated condition."

In the Salem Observer of July 2, 1859, there is a communication of two thirds of a column, headed "First Meeting House in Salem," signed "P." It is as follows:—

"MESSRS. EDITORS:—If I were to assert that Gov. Endicott or the Rev. Francis Higginson, in all the circumstances of reality, arrayed in official costume or sacerdotal habiliments, would on a given day appear again in the flesh among their descendants, you would not be much more surprised perhaps, than when I state, that the *identical first meeting house* of the puritans in Salem, *still exists* in our midst. Not the house or any portion of it that was demolished this present generation to give place to the brick church in Washington street, north at built in 1670, which was 60 x 50 feet and 20 feet high; nor the meeting house built in 1638, which was but 25 feet long, though larger than the first, then taken down—but the identical, primitive, seven-by-nine church of the puritans and pilgrims of 1628, and probably used by them for the first ten years of the settlement. Verily, as we believe, the same oaken timbers that echoed the voices of those Reverend Divines,—the Rev. Francis Higginson, Samuel Skelton, Roger Williams, Hugh Peters and John Fiske, through or nearly through all of their public ministries, and for aught we know, it may have been built and used for two years earlier, viz.: 1626, by Conant and his few followers, under the Episcopal ministration of Rev. John Lyford—for it is well known that Conant was of that communion.

In the rear of Boston street, and vicinity of Witch Hill, owned by, and upon the land of David Nichols, Esq., but a rod or two from his dwelling house, stands an old *oaken* framed building, of late used as a tool house and for storage of hay and other farm produce. This building was formerly and for many years used as a dwelling house, and long known as "Tomkins' Inn," and being situated as it was directly upon the old road to Boston [hence the name of Boston street near by,] was more anciently occupied as a

tavern, for wayfarers' use, and was thus used in 1692, at the time of the witch executions near the same spot. Evidences of the ancient tavern rest upon record as well as tradition, and that at a very early period.

Now as to the meeting house — there has long been a tradition in a collateral family of the present owner, that this building, 'Tomkin's Inn,' was constructed of the materials of the first church, which proving too small was sold, shaken and re-erected upon the present spot for a tavern.

A gentleman now living, at an advanced age, as well as other persons, received this tradition from his grandfather, the venerable Enos Pope, remembered by some, perhaps many of our citizens, as a very aged man in a wonderful state of physical preservation, who lived to the great age of upwards of 90 years, and who died some forty or fifty years since.

This tradition was often repeated by the old gentleman with great distinctness, and with entire confidence on his part, and which he obtained from his ancestors who were long-lived persons, requiring but very few lips and ears to bear it to the present time.

From the limited attention we have been able to give to the subject, but judging from the records and the directness and short passage of the tradition, we are inclined to give it a large share of our confidence and adopt it as authority.

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The building in question, the main building, exclusive of the lean-to addition, of a later day, is 21 feet long by 16 wide, certainly very small as we should suppose for a meeting house, but when we read that the larger one built to supply its place was but 25 feet long, and of the width of the old one, the small size of the one under consideration does not disturb the tradition. Neither would our knowledge of the rude beginnings of California or other new settlements of our country do other than strengthen and fortify our position.

This building bears unmistakable marks of its great antiquity in its present form. It is plastered with a preparation of clay and straw without one particle of lime in its composition : — its roof is much more upright than a

'third pitch.' The oak timber has the marks of other mortices, indicating its prior use.

We have given time enough to the subject to regard it worthy of the study and immediate attention of those persons whose zeal would stay the hand of time and arrest the contemplated annihilation of so splendid a monument as this may be made of our puritan ancestry. * * *

'Woodman spare that tree' from its poetical touch finds a response in almost every breast,—how much rather may we now say, Descendants of the puritans, spare this remarkable relict of the distant past, which the care and attention of its several owners—the gentleness of the ever active elements and the too frequent accident of fire, has for generations spared until now.

The immediate demolition of this ancient building and sacred link with the past, is in contemplation. Would it be expecting too much to heed the suggestion that has been made,—that drawings of the building be taken,—the oaken timbers now in a state of partial decay be all preserved, and with the help of pine imitation, be re-erected upon some suitable spot, which we hope may be appropriated for it at Harmony Grove, where it might be furnished with exposed rafters inside and gothic windows surrounded by evergreen trees, and where it should ever remain a cherished and sacred spot, worthy of our historical pride in claiming the foundation of the first church in New England, and worthy of the pilgrimages of all descendants throughout the country who delight to trace their lineage from its primitive puritan root in the 'Mattachusetts'.

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We next hear of the tradition at a field meeting of the Essex Institute. In these days the field meeting is well nigh abandoned. Fifty years ago it was the very life of the society. Excursions were taken here and there all over and sometimes outside the county, at frequent intervals, for study and observation. A typical meeting of this sort was held at Saugus, July 7, 1859, and at the expense of brevity it seems worth while to cull its story from the records in order to get the setting of the tradition.

The members had spent the morning rambling in two parties, observing matters of scientific and historic interest, had returned to the hall of a local temperance society, and, after refreshments, came to order at three o'clock, P. M., in the Town Hall for business and discussion. Records were read, also lists of donations to the library, and to the cabinets, letters were announced from six correspondents, and then, the meeting being open, a gentleman who had conducted one of the parties, enumerated the principal plants collected during the excursion, accompanying each with some interesting remarks. Other gentlemen discussed the habits of the tailor bee, the geology of the region, the origin of bog iron ore, the rounded hills of the neighborhood, trees and tree planting and the preservation of old books and manuscripts. Following these discussions and next before adjournment, a member, having previously spoken on the subject of trees, stated that "a tradition is current that the frame of an old building standing on the land of David Nichols, rear of Boston Street, Salem, is that of the first meeting-house in Salem and which was removed there about 1639 when the second meeting-house was built; that it was used many years since as an inn, under the name of Tompkin's Inn, and also that Mr. Nichols had tendered the building to the Institute for their disposal. He moved that a committee be appointed to ascertain the facts in the case and to report at an early meeting as to the authenticity of the tradition and what action it would be advisable for the Institute to take in relation thereto. This motion was adopted and a committee appointed. The report of this same field meeting published in Volume 2, page 394, of the Proceedings of the Essex Institute, is as follows:

"It was stated as an historical item of curious interest, that tradition has long held that the first meeting-house in Salem was not pulled down after its ceasing to be used in that capacity, but was removed, about 1639, to some spot near the road to South Danvers and employed for other purposes for some time afterward. Recently it has been asserted that the old building, or its frame, yet exists, that it stands on the land of Mr. David Nichols,

at the foot of Gallows Hill, and is the same structure that did service for some years under the name of Tompkin's Inn."

There is thus firmly established this fact, namely, that as first communicated to and recorded by the Essex Institute, the tradition set forth the allegation that after 1639 the first meeting-house no longer remained on its original site but was then removed intact to the region of Gallows Hill; also, that the Nichols building is the same structure which formerly was Tompkins Inn.

The tradition is next and finally heard from in the reports of the committee appointed at Saugus wherein this appears, and nothing more, that in certain families, mentioned, dwelling consecutively upon the premises when the building was situate, "it was always known as having been made from the first meeting-house."

The point has been well taken and well stated that tradition is not history, nor does it command confidence unless it has been widely disseminated in the community in the past, in some definite form, and runs well back to the events to which it relates.

This tradition is utterly devoid of definite form. The two versions are by no means the same thing. The one version is authority for the proposition that the Nichols building, Tompkins Inn and the First Meeting House were but three phases of one and the same building, that each was necessarily identical in dimensions with the others, and that the frame here preserved, having endured through changes of location and use, is the very frame which our Puritan fathers hewed and set up more than two hundred and sixty-five years ago. The other version presumes to no authority as to the original dimensions of the meeting-house and, if accepted as authentic, proves nothing more than that more or less of the wood of the meeting-house was worked over, as second-hand timber, into this present frame.

So far from having been widely disseminated, it does not appear that the tradition in any form was ever spoken of generally or was ever referred to, before Mr. Streeter's newspaper article, by historian, orator, antiquarian, annalist, diarist or traveller.

Eminent men, throughout many generations, full of the spirit of reverence for the fathers, have been eager to seek out and perpetuate matters of local interest, and it is inconceivable that, having heard and placed the slightest credence in a tradition that the timbers of the first meeting-house were somehow, anyhow, preserved in their original form, such men had not long ago perpetuated what they learned.

No other conclusion is possible than that at no time previous to its promulgation by the Institute, was there any general currency, credence or knowledge of such a tradition throughout a community of people who would have willingly and fondly cherished and made the most of it.

Reverting to the version of the tradition first recorded by the Institute, it is now clear that it is wholly untrustworthy and mistaken in two respects, namely, as to the removal of the meeting-house about 1639, and as to the identity of the meeting-house with Tompkins Inn.

The inference from the town records, hereinafter referred to, is conclusive that the first meeting-house was not removed in 1639 but added to, and the enlarged building remained for thirty-three years longer, when the whole was taken down, and that the timbers were afterwards used, according as they would bear, in the construction of another public building.

By research in the Registry of Deeds, details of which are referred to, Mr. Perley has demonstrated that Tompkins Inn, "a small house" was situated on what is now the "square" in Peabody. The cellar for a house was dug there not long before February 2, 1718-19, at which time and for more than forty years thereafter, the school house, into which the meeting-house timber went in 1674, remained in use some two miles distant. And the "small house" remained on its original site until at least 1812, a date far too recent to harmonize with the traditional identity of Tompkins Inn and Nichols Barn.

In view of these considerations we believe that tradition, uncorroborated, is utterly insufficient to support the authenticity of the claim that the Nichols frame is the very frame of the first meeting-house.

II. THE CORROBORATORY EVIDENCE.

In corroboration of tradition, it has been claimed that the Nichols building is identical in dimensions with the first Puritan meeting-house. That claim seems to have been based on this reasoning :—

- a* The town records show a contract by which John Pickering in 1639 agreed to build what is acknowledged to have been an addition, twenty-five feet long, to the then existing meeting-house.
- b* A central aisle must have been provided.
- c* This aisle must have been five feet wide, because a middle aisle of this width was "a style of church building which continued from that time until a very late period."
- d* The space for the aisle was taken from the new part, namely the first five feet next to the old part.
- e* This left twenty feet for new seating space.
- f* It was the plan of the addition "to make the building twice its former size."
- g* The length of the old part, before the addition, was therefore twenty feet.
- h* The longest dimension of the Nichols building is twenty feet.

We are compelled to find that there is no authority for any of these steps between the first and the last.

No reasoning is even attempted to identify the shorter dimension of the Nichols building with "the breadth of the old building." We can find no foundation for the assumption that the first-meeting-house was seventeen feet wide.

The size of the first meeting house,—its length, its width, its height,—is now and must, it seems, ever remain a matter of conjecture. So far from its being probable that the addition of 1639 was five feet longer, that is, one-fifth part larger, than the original structure, the probabilities are decidedly the other way.

Although there is no town record extant concerning the size of the first meeting-house or the date of its erection, the authority of Dr. Bentley has been commonly accepted as fixing the date in 1634, and the price "not exceeding

one hundred pounds." This price did not include "daubing and glazing." It is to be noted that the price of the Pickering addition in 1639 was less than two thirds as much, namely, sixty-three pounds.

The floor space of a building twenty feet by seventeen feet with gallery has been computed as sufficient for a congregation of at most some eighty persons, making niggardly allowance for pulpit, fire-place and gallery stairs. The population of Salem in 1630 is estimated at several hundred. In 1634, says Dr. Bentley, "Salem began to flourish." In 1637 there were one hundred and seventy-nine members of the church. The number of members by no means measured the size of the congregation. Mr. Perley estimates the attendance as four times the number of members.

The people attended worship, for the most part willingly, but, if not, by compulsion. A building of this diminutive size would not begin to accommodate within its walls the Salem congregation of 1634.

The meeting-house of our forefathers, as well the first as its successors, was their sacred house of God and also the civil Capitol. From the first it was the centre of the very life of the community, religious, and politic. No other theory is tenable than that they built an edifice adequate to hold their congregations. We cannot believe that they so scrimped in this respect, as deliberately to plan that the minister should preach through open windows to a contingent unable to get inside. The rigors of New England winters would have forbidden the contemplation of such a plan, even to Puritan hardihood. It was no later than 1639 that by vote of the town two men were appointed each week "to walk forth during God's worship and take notice of those who lye about the meeting-house" and elsewhere with the purpose of citing them to worship.

Upon the authority of Dr. Bentley, the first meeting-house was "a proper house." The hundred pounds appropriated for its erection represents in modern equivalent of purchasing power, according to conservative estimate, some two thousand dollars. As hints of comparison, the "shopp and house" of Thomas Rix "neare the meeting-house" was disposed of in 1654, apparently to the town,

for eleven pounds. In 1657, Mr. Corwin, of the selectmen, bought a house for the minister "the now dwelling of John Millard" for fifty pounds. In 1659, John Norman for forty-five pounds, built a dwelling-house for the minister on Cape Ann side, thirty-eight feet long, seventeen feet wide and eleven feet stud, having three chimneys, two below and one above, a porch eight feet square, and eight windows, four below and four above. It seems that one hundred pounds was, in 1634, fully adequate for a meeting-house of ample size.

But more conclusive than dogmatic deductions from the assumed necessities of the situation is what happened when, thirty-three years after the Pickering contract, the entire structure was taken down.

Looking at this building here preserved, it seems evident that half a dozen or at most a dozen men could take it down and pile up the lumber in orderly fashion in a single day, and that if it were twice its length, and five feet more, a little more than two days would suffice for the job. Making allowance of time for unclenching, drawing and saving the precious wrought nails of the time, and for care to preserve building materials fit for further use, it is incredible that the razing and storing of a simple building 17 feet by 45 feet should have necessitated the vote of 1672, "that every family in the towne and which belong to the towne shall send one man of a family to help to take it down and carry it into some convenient place where it may be reserved for the towne use, and that for time when to begin to doe it and the number of men each day it is left to the selectmen to appoint." "It is ordered that the meeting-house be begun to be taken down this month, and the constables are appointed to name thirty men a day to appeare to help to take it down, and they are to begin at Strong Water brook, and see downwards to the lower end of the towne."

The corroboratory evidence from the internal construction of the Nichols building is this. The Pickering contract for the addition of 1639 called for a gallery "answerable to the former." The fair inference is that there was a gallery in the original meeting-house. On examination of the Nichols building a heavy beam was

found extending across the building, supported by mortises at the tops of opposite uprights or wall posts. Other mortises, theretofore concealed by plaster, etc., were discovered lower down on each of these posts, into which tenons of the cross beam fitted. There was also an oak tie beam in which, it was claimed, the joist of the gallery rested at the time the front timber was lodged in the lower mortises, "thus giving to the gallery an inclination by which a view of the preacher below was obtained." By actual experiment it was found that the cross beam could be lowered and its tenons fitted into the lower mortises and in fact it was so lowered and upon stringers resting upon this cross beam a gallery has actually been constructed.

It is not difficult to appreciate the intense interest of these discoveries and experiments to any who were then already inclined to give great weight to the tradition. On the assumptions, first, that at least one dimension of the Nichols building was coincident with a dimension of the first meeting-house, and second, that the first meeting-house was moved to Gallows Hill intact, or that it was taken down and there put together again in its original shape, the discovery of the supposed gallery construction would be in the strongest degree corroborative of a tradition that the Nichols building was the first Puritan meeting-house. But without basis for these assumptions, and there is none, the discovery proves nothing as to the main question.

The Pickering contract called for "one catted chimney of 12 feet long and four feet in height above the top of the building." If we understand correctly the argument on page 14 of the "Story of the Meeting House" it is this:— By assuming that twelve feet long means twelve feet high, and that twelve feet high means not twelve feet from the ground, but twelve feet outside above the eaves and thatch, through which the brick or cobble work is supposed to have projected, the deduction is made that the ridge-pole of the meeting-house was eight feet higher than the top of the side walls. The fact that the ridge-pole of the Nichols building is about eight feet above the top of the side walls has been cited as another

point of corroboratory evidence. There was no chimney in the Nichols building when it was examined in 1859 but "a certain disturbed condition of the timbers" has been noticed as perhaps indicating the previous location of a chimney.

As to the actual size of the fireplace in the meeting-house a certain town record seems conclusive. In 1662, at a meeting of the selectmen, it was ordered "that a beere be provided at the charge of the towne for carryinge of CorpSES to buryinge and the chimney in the meeting house is the place appoynted for it to stande in." We are convinced that "twelve feet long" in the Pickering contract meant twelve feet wide; that nothing is known or can be known concerning its height, and that no coincidence can be established in respect to the roof, between the Nichols building and the first meeting-house.

This is all the evidence which has heretofore been adduced in corroboration of the tradition, and in all the material bearing upon the situation we have been unable to find any additional evidence in support thereof. We cannot attach probative weight to the evidence referred to, and are forced to the conclusion that the assertion of the identity of the Nichols frame and the frame of the first Puritan meeting house depends on tradition, substantially uncorroborated; and that tradition in this respect is unfounded.

Our consideration of the tradition would be incomplete without reference to another point of view.

The point has been well taken that the tradition traced to the Pope family that "it was *made from* the meeting-house" may have referred to the first Quaker or Friends' Meeting-House.

Research in the Registry of Deeds and in the records of the Friends' Monthly Meeting, detailed in Mr. Perley's report, pp. 119-143, determine the following facts. Upon a lot of land just east of the present site of Grace Church, on Essex Street in Salem, one Thomas Maule, a Quaker, built a meeting-house for "ye people called Quakers" in the year 1688. This meeting-house was used by the Quakers until 1718. In that year they built a larger meeting-house on the other side of the street, to wit, on the land which is now the "Quaker Burying

Ground." The larger meeting-house was forty by thirty feet.

From a study of dimensions in the chain of title and from certain deeds given in 1788 by one James Blythe, administrator of Mary Ford, it appears: first, that the old meeting-house was added to and became part of a dwelling-house, and so continued on its original site until after 1750; second, that the old meeting-house did not exceed twenty-four feet ten inches in length, and was probably somewhat less than this in length; third, that a division of the lot on which the meeting-house was built was made in 1788 by running a boundary line directly over and across the site of the building, without any mention of its existence, the fair inference from which is that before 1788 the first Quaker meeting-house had been taken down or removed.

It is cited that, at this time, Enos Pope and Enos Pope, 2nd, to whom the tradition is traced, were living; and that the tradition has not been traced to an earlier time. The Popes were Quakers. The tradition, such as it is, comes from a distinctly Quaker environment. From the Pope-Nichols premises to the site of the first Quaker meeting-house it is less than half the distance to the site of the first Puritan meeting-house.

The committee refrain from speculating as to probabilities suggested by these facts. It is enough here to say that they lead otherwise than to corroboration of the claim that the frame of the Nichols building is the frame of the first Puritan meeting-house.

III. WHAT IS KNOWN CONCERNING THE MEETING-HOUSE.

There was a meeting-house in 1635. The records are silent as to its dimensions, or any other facts concerning the same. In 1639 an addition was made to the meeting-house of 1635, — "to be 25 foot long, and of the breadth of the old building, with a gallerie answerable to the former, one catted chimney 12 foot long, and 4 foot in height above the top of the building. Six windows, two on each side, and two at the end, and also a pair of stairs to ascend the gallerie suitable to the former." From 1639 to 1670, various votes are recorded, concerning repairs

upon the meeting-house. In 1670, a new meeting-house was built "about 60 foote long 50 foote wide and about 20 foote highe in the stude, and to be sett vp at the west end of the old meeting house towards the prison." The old meeting-house of 1635 and 1639, stood, after the new meeting-house was built, until 1672. In August of that year a warrant was issued for a town meeting "to Consider whether the old meeting house shall be taken downe or Sould as it now stands;" etc. August 17, 1672, it was voted that the "old meeting house be reseru'd for The Towne use, to build a skoole house & watch house." At the same meeting it was voted that it be taken down and carried "into Some conuenient place wher it may be reseru'd for the Townes use." Constables were appointed to warn 30 men a day to appear, to help to take it down, and August 19, 1672, was the day when the work of tearing down should begin. Thus it is clearly indicated by the records that the old meeting-house was taken down, and the timbers laid away — piled up in some convenient place — subject to use by the town later, if seen fit. Then the building of 1635, and the addition of 1639, ceased to exist, as the old meeting-house. April 15, 1673, a town meeting was called for April 21, 1673, "to Consider what Instructions shall be given to the select men; Concerning building a schoole house & watch house of the timber of the old meeting house, or otherways to dispose of it," and on April 21, 1673, a committee was appointed "to Agree with a Carpenter or Carpenters to build a house for the town, which may serve for a schoole house & watch-house and town house of the timber of the old meeting house according as the timber will bear." November 10, 1674, it was "agreed that the towne house shall be sett up by the prisson." In 1677, the town house was removed up the street (our present Washington Street) and opposite, or nearly so, to where now stands the house, formerly of Brookhouse. Various repairs on the same were made necessary by the removal. May 19, 1679, the chamber in the town house was ordered to be fitted up for Court to meet there. In 1719, a new Town and Court House was built near the meeting-house. A new watch-house was built in 1712, — that also not far from the meeting-house. From 1719 to 1760 the Town House of 1674 was

used mostly for school purposes, and during all these years various repairs were made. In 1759 the subject of building a new school house was agitated, and on May 19, 1760, it was "voted that the School House to be built in said town shall be erected in "y^e School House Lane where the committee for building s^d House proposed, being to northward." Here the town records abruptly end.

Now what of the town house and school-house of 1674? We are not without knowledge upon this subject, for Colonel Benjamin Pickman, in a manuscript left by him, says, concerning this old building, "Opposite to Mr. Derby's house stood in the centre of the street an old wooden school house, which was formerly the Court House, and where the witches were tried. This last house was pulled down in 1760. My curiosity often led me to view the place where those unfortunate persons were tried in those deluded times."

Thus from the records it is shown that the First Meeting House in 1635, with the addition of 1639, was, in 1672, torn down, and its timbers piled away in some convenient place,—that in 1674, those timbers, worth using, were used in building a house for the town, for a school-house and watch-house and town house,—that this last building stood until 1760, and by the written testimony of Colonel Benjamin Pickman this building (then an old building) was torn down.

Although the records do not disclose the dimensions of the new building constructed in 1674 from the timber of the meeting-house "according as it would bear," we do know certain facts concerning it. As already shown from the records, there was a "chamber" in it. In 1678, Samuel Stone contracted to build two chimneys in the town house, "one below, and a Chamber Chimney large, good substantial worke." This chamber was large enough to accommodate sessions of the Court. In 1679, Captain John Price was chosen and "desired with speed may bee to fitt the Towne House Chamber soe as may bee conveynent for the Court to meete theree." The building was fitted with a bell turret in 1692. In the same year it cost forty-four pounds five shillings to shingle all the eastern side with choice cedar shingles. In 1696, on the petition

of the selectmen of Salem for "proportioning ye charge of ye Court alias Towne House," the Court of General Sessions ordered that "one half of ye charge for the reparation of said House be Discharged from time to time by ye County and ye other half by ye Town of Salem."

Not only did the new building of 1672 have a chamber, it also had a garret. In 1699 it was voted to provide "twenty water buckets, and Two Iron hooks or Poles to fasten hold on a house to Pull it downe when a fire and to be keep in ye towne house Garrett and marked T: S:." In 1702 it was ordered that the closet in the chamber be fitted up "to keep ye Towne arms in."

It seems therefore necessary to assume that a building put to the uses thus indicated must have been considerably larger than that which we are preserving. If ever the first Puritan meeting-house was timbered on a 20 by 17 plan, the theory that its timbers went into a lumber pile, then into the construction of another building of the size and character indicated by these records, then were once more disjointed, and finally, after a century and a quarter of separation, came together, posts, plates, rafter and ridge pole, each tenon seeking its old mortise, seems to impute nothing short of a miraculous restoration.

The committee are unanimous in the conclusion that the frame of the building now preserved in the rear of Plummer Hall is not the frame of the first Puritan meeting-house erected in Salem. The foregoing report, as a whole, is subscribed with certain qualifications on the part of individual members of the committee.

Mr. Hines bases his conclusions upon the record evidence alone, and deems it unnecessary to consider traditions or to allude to any former investigations.

Mr. Buckham suggests that no one knows or is likely ever to know, what has become of the timbers of the meeting-house built before 1639. It cannot be proved, either that they have been destroyed or preserved. There is at least a possibility that they may still be in existence; if so the tradition that the building in the rear of the Institute was "made from the First Meeting House" is not wholly without value. Too much weight should not be attached to so limited a tradition; but neither should it be,

in his judgment, wholly ignored. He suggests that the building now known as the First Meeting House be preserved as it is, but no longer with the title "The First Meeting House," and that in order to prevent misconception a tablet be placed upon it containing some such statement as this: An old tradition affirms that this building was made from the First Meeting House.

Mr. Gove desires to add that the tradition being only that the building was "made from the first meeting-house," does not affirm the identity of the frame, and that he finds no good reason for believing that the alleged first meeting-house now preserved contains any of the material of the original first meeting-house of the Puritans in Salem. He believes there is only a remote possibility of this being true, and that it is extremely improbable. The tradition not being found outside of the Pope family, who were Quakers, he believes it more probable that it refers to the "first meeting-house" of the Friends or Quakers.

Having reached the general conclusion herein indicated, your committee desires to express deep regret that the conclusion does not coincide with that of the honored and able gentlemen appointed to investigate this subject in 1859. Their honesty and earnestness of purpose, their reverence for the past, their disinterested desire to serve the Institute, the community and posterity, by rescuing from destruction what they deemed to be a sacred relic, seems to us worthy of the highest commendation and gratitude. If it were but emulated, this spirit of devotion to the past and of regard for the future, would save many a valuable memorial, better authenticated than this, now unhappily left to neglect and decay. With their purpose we heartily sympathize and for their ability we cherish the highest respect, but from their results, we, at this more critical period, with greater perspective, find ourselves compelled to dissent. To them the discovery of this old building and the accompanying tradition came as a captivating novelty: to us it has become a question of historical criticism.

The old building which they caused to have removed to its present location, believing it to be the first meeting

house, is neither a fraud nor an imposture, but simply, in our judgment, registers the honest mistake of a zeal that outran the facts. We, on our part, do not lay claim to infallibility, but with the aid of such facts as we have been able to secure, we have approached the question without prejudice and have endeavored to discharge to the best of our ability the trust committed to us.

Respectfully submitted,

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EVIDENCE RELATIVE TO THE AUTHENTICITY
OF THE "FIRST CHURCH" (SO-CALLED)
IN SALEM.

COLLECTED FOR THE ESSEX INSTITUTE, SALEM, THROUGH ITS COMMITTEE,

BY SIDNEY PERLEY.

REPORT.

To Alden P. White, Esq., Ezra D. Hines, Esq., William H. Gove, Esq., Rev. John W. Buckham and Rev. T. Frank Waters, Committee of the Essex Institute to whom was referred the question of the authenticity of the First Church, so called, in Salem :

GENTLEMEN :—

Having been engaged by you to secure all evidence bearing upon the identity of the timbers now contained in the little building standing in the rear of Plummer Hall with the first meeting-house in Salem, I report to you herewith.

I have examined all the records and also gathered the traditions that are thought to have a bearing upon the question involved.

I have also made a careful study of the frame of the building as it now exists, and made drawings of the same drawn to scale that a better understanding than that gained by a written description might be had of them. The only fault in the way of conveying information in this way is, perhaps, in this, that the drawings show the timbers as being more even and regular in size, shape and finish than they really are in their crude condition.

My purpose has been simply to gather the evidence, and not to present any argument or proffer personal conclusions as to what the evidence tends to prove or disprove. I have taken no side in the controversy, and have conscientiously sought and secured all the

information I could. If there is anything in this report that seems to have no bearing upon the subject the committee can treat it as though it had not been rendered.

The matter of the court sittings prior to 1679 seemed to have a bearing upon the necessary size of the court room. Tompkins Inn is given because it is so prominent in one, at least, of the traditions. This is also true of the Quaker meeting-house. A map of all sites is given to show relative distances that the building or its timbers may have been moved.

The number of members of the church and population of the town, inasmuch as all who could do so were compelled to attend church in those days, have a most important bearing upon the number of persons that the meeting-house must seat. Salem then included Marblehead, Peabody, Danvers, Beverly, Wenham and Manchester, and all of those territories had a scattered population.

The character of the settlers of Salem certainly is evidence of the kind of meeting-house that they would be likely to build, and the fact that they were Puritans and not Pilgrims should not be overlooked.

I may be allowed to call attention to the traditions. Whatever they may be worth, in connection with positive facts, as evidence, it is but proper and just for me to add, that they are all of Quaker origin.

Respectfully submitted,

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SALEM, July 1, 1901.

EXTRACTS FROM SALEM TOWN RECORDS.

22: 6: 1635. "Divers speeches about Convenient places for thops, for workmen, as at the end of the meeting house from willm * * *¹ corner fence."

28: 1: 1636, by the thirteen men: "Its agreed that willm Lord is to haue a tooe acre lott as nere as may be

¹ Torn off in the original, being at the margin of the leaf.

among the 10 acre lotts, in lieu of pte of his howse lott that he hath given to the meeting howse."

10: 2 mo: 1637, by the town's representatives: "Jn^o. Sweet 2^h to meeting house ought."

15: 3: 1637, at a general town meeting "m^r Sharpe hath remitted freely by the Towne y^e 4th he vnd'writ for meeting house. But Jn^o Sweet 2^h is not remitted."

15: 11: 1637, at a meeting: "M^r Verin his accompt
• • • Paid to Adams for daubing of the meeting house
00 12 04 • • • Paid to John Busnell toward the glaissing
of the windows in the meeting howse 00 07 04." "Samuell
Archers account Paid to Addams more for daubing the
meeting house 00 15 6."

12: 9mo: 1638: "Itm is agreed that Nathaniell Porter shall haue for the sweeping of the meeting howse & ringing of the Bell fiftie shillings p annu."

31: 10: 1638, at a general town meeting: "Agreed that there should forthwth an addition to the meeting howse be builded & that there should be a rate made & leuied for the payment thereof The 7 men to see it effected & to pay for it."

"The agreem^t betweene the towne & John Pickeringe the 4th day of the 12th moneth 1638

"first hee is to build a meetinge howse of 25 foote longe, the breadth of the old buildinge wth a gallerie answerable to the former: One Catted Chimney of 12 foote longe & 4 foote in height aboue the top of the buildinge. The back whereof is to be of brick or stone. This building is to haue fix sufficient windowes. 2 on each side & 2 at the end. & a pre of itaires to ascend the galleries futeable to the former. This building is to be couered wth inch & halfe planck & inch board vpon that to meete close: And all this to be sufficientlie finished wth daubinge & glaiffe & vnderpinninge wth stone or brick wth cariadge & all things necessary by the said John Pickeringe: In consideration whereof The said John Pickering is to haue 63^h in money to be paid at 3 paym^t. The first payment 21^h at

the beginninge of the worke The 2^d paym^t 21^{lb} when the frame is reared. The 3^d paym^t is 21^{lb} w^{ch} is to be paid at the finishing of it. And it is agreed That if it be found by indifferent men that the said John Pickeringe hath deserued 3^{lb} more. Then the towne is to pay it him If it be found the said John hath deserued 3^{lb} lesse. hee is to abate it: And the said John Pickeringe dorth Couennt to finish it by the 15th day of the 4th moneth next ensuinge the date heereof. In witnes whereof both pties haue subscribed heerevnto.

John Pickering

Jo: Endecott
Jo Woodbery
Will Hathorne
Lawrence Leach
Roger Conant

15: 3: 1639, at a meeting: "paid to John Pickeringe 4^{lb} 5^s. besides the 2 first paym^{ts} for the building of the meeting howse: the 8th day of the 5th moneth: 1639."

20: 9: 1639: "graunted 3^{lb} 10^s. a yeare to Brother Porter for making cleane the meeting howse."

14: 7: 1640, at a general town meeting: Ordered, "That there shall a rate of 15^{lb} be raised & gathered for the paym^t of the bookes of records & for the keeping of the meeting howse 3^{lb} - 15^s to o^r brother Nath: Porter. & 2^{lb} - 10^s to o^r brother Horne &c."

3: 12mo: 1644, at a general town meeting: "Henry Burtfell is chosē to keepe the meeting house to sweepe it & keepe it cleane vpon all occasions of publiq meeting & is to haue yearely Three pounds & 15^s to be paid proportionable euey halfe yeare: The time hee began his work is the first day of the 11 month called Januarie."

29: 4: 1646, at a general town meeting: "Ordered that there shall be no buriall wthin the towne but that there shall be word giuen to the keep of the meeting howse to ring the bell whereby notice may be giuen to the towne thereof, a little before the buriall. And the said keep to haue three pence for his paynes."

23: 12: 1646, at a town meeting: "Capt Hawtherne & m^r Corwine hauing pmised to puid nailes for the Couering of y^e meeting houle the first optunity are to be paid in Corne at money price."

30: 7: 1647, at a meeting of the seven men: "m^r Georg Corwine & Will Lord hau vndertaken to puid stones & Clay for the repaire of the meeting houle & to bring it or Cause it to be brought in plac the next week.

"m^r. Corwine hath pmised to puid speedyly for the Couinge of the meeting: fife hundred nailes: & is pmised to be payd for y^m to his Content."

3: 12 mo: 1647, at a meeting of the seven men: "M^r Corwine & Sam Archard & Will Lord be Deputed to tak the towne Iron from Good: Rumbole & the towne Bords for y^e meeting houle."

15: 9: 1651, at a general town meeting: "Benjamin Felton Chosen to take care of the meeting houle in Birchams Roome and to haue the same wages Bircham had and to gyue warning of meetings & burials by the bell &c."

Nov. 10, 1655, at a general town meeting: Tax levied, among other things, for "mendinge meetinge houle 02-00-00."

Jan. 16, 1656, at a general town meeting: "it is agreed that thear shall be Rate of 50^{lb}: for the repairing of y meeting houle. voted. Its: agreed: that m^r Will: Browne shall haue the sole maneing of the Repayringe of the meetinge ||house|| & to haue the Rate pd to him: & to Disburse it for the vse abouesd: & the Rate soe to [be] leuied that he the sd m^r. Browne may be noe loose[r] in the disburim^{nt}"

3: 12mo: 1656-7, at a general town meeting: "Thomas Oliuer Chosen to Continue his imploynt in Ringing the bell and looking to the meeting houle for this enfuing yeare and vntill the towne take further order voted."

8 : 4mo : 1657, at a meeting of the selectmen :

" ffor ordering the seats in the meeting house to Continue during the townes pleasure

" Impr it is agreed that m^r william Browne & m^r Georg Corwin shalbe seated wth maior hathorne in that w^{ch} is Called the magistrate seate

" that the seate of m^r Endicot being enlarged we agree that m^r hathorne & m^r Corwin shalbe there seated

" that m^{rs} Price sifter Elizabeth Browne the wife of John Browne & sifter Grafton & the wife of sargent Porter we agree they shalbe seated in the second seate where m^r hathorne & m^{rs} Corwin latelie sate

" that Sargent hale his wife & frances Skerie his wife are to sitt in the seates of m^{rs} Price & sifter Grafton

" that m^r Norris shalbe seated wth m^{rs} Browne

" that sifter Prince to be seated where sargent Porters his wife latelie sate

" that sargent Porter shal sitt in the seate wth Capt Trafk. "

22 : 6 : 1657, at a general town meeting : Tax levied, among other things, " ffor the meeting house 50^{lb} : 00^s : 00^d for Ringing the bell 05 : 00 : 00 : for a new bell & hanging 18 : 00 : 00."

22 : 1 : 1657-8, at a meeting of the selectmen : " Its agreed that the fore seat in the South Gallery shalbe set apt, ffor those psons to be seated in, vidz : Alex : Seeres Tho : Barnes Job Heliard Rich Leech Rich Adams Mordechai Crauat Will Trafk Joseph Grafton Jur^t Sam^l Porter Tho : Sallowes Andrew : woodbury Arthur Kippin Tho : Robbins."

21 : 9 : 1658, at a general town meeting : A tax levied, among other things, " ffor the mending of meeting house 00-12-00 ffor the belringer 05-00-00."

In a bill of Nath. felton, 1657, is this charge : " p 100 Clabbord for the meeting house 00 05 00."

¹ This name is crossed out in the original record.

In an account, 14: 10: 1657, are the following items: " bill to Good: Ollyver for ringing the bell 05 00 00 * * * a bill to m^r Corwin for the bell & m^{rs} Goose 18 00 00 * * * a bill to m^r Browne for repaying meeting house 50 00 00. * * * a bill to m^r Browne for Raysing the bell 05 00 00."

In a bill of Henry Skery, in 1656, is this item: " Goo Horns mending y^e meting house 00: 06: 02."

3: 6: 1657, at a meeting of the selectmen: " Leauc was giuen to Richard Harue Taylour to mend vp the little house Joyning to the meetinge ||house|| & make vse of it for a shopp at the Towns pleasure."

9: 9: 1657, a memorandum mentions " the key of the meeting housf."

29: 9: 1659, at a general town meeting: " Ther is liberty graunted to Thomas Hale to buld a shopp adoyinge to the meetinge house were the select men shall apoynt it: & to enioy it at the Towns pleasure."

15: 3: 1660, at a meeting of the selectmen: " Its agreed by the Select men one pty & Will Lord fen other that vpon a deferenc about some Land aboute the meetinge house: pt of the fd Lords house lot formerly & wh he the said lord saith was never yet pd for wee do in the name of the towne to satiisfie him for all that pt of his house lot wh was formerly layd to the settinge of the meeting house vpon and all the land that is now unfenced¹ round about the meetinge house & what elc about this house or housf that lyeth unfenced,¹ Confirme to him that land that is Granted to him vpon Condicton in the year 16: 5-1638: as also ten Acres of land to be layd out to him in some place aboute Tho: James farme: & so towards M^r Downings farm: to demand it some tyme within a twelve moneth or elc to be void: & this to be fule end & satisfacon for all his Clayms as aboue & ||in|| p^rmisses specified: puided this intendeth none of the fd Lords land between his house & the Riuer,

" witness

william Lord

" Henry Bartholmew"

¹ Encenced?

Nov. 12, 1660, at a town meeting: "To mendinge meeting house to Rich Adams 6^s: more 10^s: 0-16-0 • • • To glassinge meetinge house 02-10-0."

April 22, 1661, at a meeting of the Selectmen: "Serge: Jn^o Porter placed in the Deacons seat."

7: 11 mo: 1661, at a meeting of the selectmen: "wee are to take notic of the Complaynt of Rich Bithop about the disorder in sitting at meeting house. • •"

"Graunted to Señall psons vnd^r named to build a seat by the South Gallery in o^r meetinge house: & to such others besides that the towne shall place there

" Jn ^o Putname	{	Jobe Helliard
Jn ^o marthe		fr Colliner ¹
Jn ^o Cromwel		Tho Barnes
Jn ^o Becket		Ifack williams
Jof Huchenfon		Theo: Price."

March 3, 1661, at a general town meeting: "Tho: oliver presentinge to the towne his desire to lay downe his place of Ringinge the bell and lookinge to the meetinge house it is left to the select men to provide some other and to make agreement with the ptie for his anuell wagis not exceedinge the som formerly given of 5^{lb}."

6: 1mo: 1661, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Agreed with Henry West to ringe the bell and make cleane the meetinge house for the yeare insuinge and to be p^d for the yeare five pownde more he is to haue 18^d for each graue he shall digge onely from the midell of the 10th m^o to the midle of the 12th m^o he shall be alowed as he and the pties by whom he is employed shall agree and if they cannott agree with him then they are at libertie to agree with any other."

6: 4: 1662, at a meeting of the selectmen: "ordered that a beere be provided at the Charge of the towne for caryinge of Corpses to buryinge and the chimnay in the meetinge house is the place apoynted for it to itande in and who ever shall make vse of it for the end as aboue is

¹ Collins?

hereby inioyned to bringe it safe and set it in the place appoynted within twentie foure houres vppon penaltie of two shillings six pence."

24: 1: 1662-3, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Granted to Henry West a bill to Rob: Lemon for five pownds due to him for his wagis for Ringinge the bell and looking to the meetinge house for the yeare past."

8: 8: 1663, at a meeting of the selectmen: "ordered that Capt: Curwin take care forth with to see the meetinge house be repaired vidz: that the wall at the south end ¶ and where it needeth ¶ be daubed and the windowes mended and that it bee grounde filled where there is need."

15: 12: 1663, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Granted to Henry West a bill to the Constables for 5lb due to him for wagis for Ringinge the bell and keepinge the meetinge house for the yeare past * * *

"granted to m^r Price a bill for 7^s due for a peece of timb^r for the meetinge house."

18: 9: 1665, at a general town meeting: "for Glasfing and Keeping the meeting house 03: 00: 00."

April 21, 1666, at a meeting of the selectmen: "It is ordered that the wach shall begin y^e first of the 3th moth: that ther shall be fower suffishent wachmen everie night: that the wach shall begin at Eight of the clock in the evening: and that the meeting house is to be the wach house vntill another be built: and that this be signified to the Constables."

Nov. 17, 1666, at a general town meeting: To levy a tax to pay "To: Henry west for Ringing the bell: 05: 00: 00 * * * To the Repairing of the meeting house 05: 00: 00."

March 22, 1666-7, at a meeting of the selectmen: "It is ordered that m^r Edmund Batters is desired and Impowered to see the meeting ¶ house ¶ repayred: and to order whoe shall sitt in the seats at the south end: boath aboue and bellow the gallerie: wheare the Chimney was formerly."

May 3, 1667, at a meeting of the selectmen: "It is ordered and *And* agreed that John Orms and John marsh: shall haue libertie to build a seat at the weast end of the meeting house vnder the gallerie: puided they take in Into them soe many as the select men think meet:

"Graunted: m^r Eliezur Hawthorne m^r John Corwin and Company libertie to: build a seate: in the front of the south Gallerie: puided that it doth nott Anoye those that || are || behind them: neyther those that are seted vnder the Gallerie: and that they take in with them soe many as the select || men || Judg meet and convenient."

16: 9: 1667, at a general town meeting: "voated that the select men: take care for to reparaire the meetinghouse: and for yt end are Impowered to levie a towne Rate for the Charg of it: and for repaying hie wayes," etc.

19: 10: 1667, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Graunted vnto: Henry weast a bill for Ringing the bell and Clewing the meeting house 05: 00: 00."

19: 1: 1667-8, at a general town meeting: "In Answer to willm Lord his Rejest he is already paid for the land on wh the meetinge house doth stand and about the meetinge house and he may take what further Course he seeth good."

Nov. 30, 1668, at a meeting of the selectmen: "M^r Willm Browne sen & Jno Pickeringe ar desired to take care of ye mendinge of the meetinge housf."

7: 8mo: 1669, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Sold to M^r Jn^o Corwine the townes grounds next adoyning to Edward Wharton for the Iust sum of five pounds to be pd for glafs & other neffessary about Repairing of the meeting house • • •

"Capt Corwine is desired to take the Ousight of Repairg of the meetinge house: and hath accepted of it."

20: 10: 1669, at a general town meeting: "Jn^o Pickering for expenfes about meeting house & other things 00-16-00."

21: 12: 1669, at a meeting of the selectmen: "wee: apoynte that the Constable vppon the next Lecture Day

giue notice : that vpon the second day of the weeke wh wilbe the 7th of march next for the Choise of Select men & for to Confid^r to build a new Meeting house : as also to Confid^r of a Gramm schoole maister & Chiose of a packer of beafe &c."

7 : 1mo : 1669-70, at a general town meeting : "Its left to the select men to Confid^r and ppare their thoughts in ord^r to the buildinge of a New meetinge house or to fitt vp the old, and all things in Reference to the buffines and to p^rsent it to the Towne vpon the first Tuseday in April next, and the meane tyme the select men to Repaire the meetinge house, for w^t is of necessity."

April 5, 1670, at a general town meeting : "Its ord^d that there shalbe a new meetinge house built for the worship and holy seruice of god in publicke, and that it be about 60 foote longe 50 foote wide and about 20 foote highe in the stude, and to be sett vp at the west end of the old meetinge house towards the prison, and that M^r Will Browne sen Capt George Corwine Edmond Batter & m^r Bartholmew are Impowred to agree with Carpenters & other workmen for to build sd house and finish it, not to exceeding the sune [[of]] one thousand pounds price."

18 (19?) : 5 : 1670, at a general town meeting : "Its ord^d that the paym^t for the buildinge of the meetinge house shalbe raifed by a Rate The select men are Impowred to Raife & make the Rate for the paymt of sum for buildg of New meeting house."

29 : 6 : 1670, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Its Ord^d that Genall Towne meetinge bee warned vpon the next lectur day : to meet vpon the sixt day of the weeke followinge at 9 of the clocke in the morninge : for the Choise of a grandiury as also Constabls : & to setle the buffines about the new meetinge house."

12 : 7 mo : 1670, at a general town meeting : "Its Ordered that Capt Georg Corwine m^r Jno Corwine m^r Will Browne Jun & Edmnd Batter are apoynted and Impowred to finish the agreemt with Jno fiske, and Colect Receiue with the helpe of the Constabls if need

be to ; and to make pay^{mt} for the cariinge on the buildinge of a new meetinge houle according to a form voat of the towne."

23 : 9 : 1670, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Its ordored that what timber trees that haue been felled & haue lyen *unocupied* aboue a moneth vpon the Towne Comon it shalbe lawfull for Jno fiske to take them for the use of the meetinge houle."

March 3, 1670-1, ata general town meeting : " Hennery West Desir'd to be Dismiss'd from Ringing of the bell. And the Towne Reffer'd it to the Select men to make choice of another, and to Agree wth him, Accordingly the Select men haue made choice of Benjamin felton, and Agreed with him, to Allow him as Hennery west had formerly. . . .

" Nath. Pickman, his Demand of fourteen shillings for worke done about the Meeting houle, is allow'd."

Nov. 20, 1671, at a general town meeting : "Its ord'd that the Select men shall take care to repaire the meeting houle."

Jan. 16. 1671, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Bills Graunted to pay the Towne Debts . . . pd to Willm Seagraue for ringing the bell 05 : 00 : 00 . . . To Serg^t Browne, for mending Glafs for y^e meeting houle. 00 : 17 : 00."

April 18. 1672, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Agreed wth Thomas Maule to ring the Bell and *and* Sweep the meeting houle, for this year and he is to haue Six pownds for his pains."

Aug. 7. 1672, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Its ord'd that ther be a Generall Towne meeting warn'd the next Lecture day for the Inhabitants of this Towne to meet on Saturday next come Senett, w^{ch} will be the 17th day of this p'sent month, at 9 of the Clock in the morning, to Consider whether the old meeting houle shall be taken downe or Sould as it now stands." &c.

Aug. 17. 1672, at a general town meeting: "Its voated that the old meeting house be referu'd for The Towne use, to build a skoole house & watch house

"Its voated that the old meeting house shall be taken downe and that Euery family in the Towne, and which belong to the Towne, shall send one man of a family to helpe to take it downe, and to Cary it into Some conuenient place wher it may be referu'd for the Towne use, and that for tyme when to begin to doe it and the number of men to worke each day it is left to the Select men to Appoint

"The old pulpitt and the Deacons Seat is Giuen to the ffarmers. Voated.

"The stones of the vnd'pining of the old meeting house and the Clay of the old meeting house is Giuen to Jn^o ffiske."

Aug. 17. 1672, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Its ord'd the old meeting house be begun to be taken downe the 19th of this p'sent month, and the Constables are Appointed to warn. 30 men a day, to appear to helpe to take it downe, and they are to begin. to warne them at strong watter brooke, and soe downwards to the lower End of the Towne."

Jan. 28, 1672, at a meeting of the selectmen: Items in accounts: "To m^r Gedney Sen^r for Expences in takeing downe the old meeting house & the Select mens Expences 05:03:00 • • • To Nath Pickman Sen^r for worke to y^e old meeting house 00:04:00."

April 15, 1673, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Its ordered that A generall towne meeting Be warned for thee Inhabitants of the towne to meet together on monday next being the 21th of Aprill at twelve of the Clock to Consider what Instructions shall be given to the select men: & Concerning building a schoole house & watch house of the timber of the old meetinghouse or otherways to dispose of It."

April 21, 1673, at a general town meeting: "voated that m^r w^m Browne sen^r Capt price & m^r Samuell Gerdner are apointed & Empowred to Agree with a Carpenter or

Carpenters to build a house for the towne which may serve for a schoolehouse & watch-house & towne house, of the timber of the old meetinghouse according as h timber will bear."

10: 9mo: 1674, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Agreed that the towne howse shall be sett up by the prison & william douton to Rayfe Itt with what speed he Can.

"ffrancis Nurce being In debt to ye towne six pounds 8/6: he doth InGadge to pay ye sayd some In a fortnight In shingles for the Towne howse at ffifteen shillings P thousand— or as tow Indifferent men shall prize y^m being equally Chossen."

12: 1mo: 1674-5, at a general town meeting: "Voted yt ye mony six pounds seueenteen shillings & 3^d ye ouerplofe of m^r higensons debt Is Commetted Into ye hands of ye selectmen to despoise of to weleam douton toward ye building of ye town house & deleuered Into maJor hothorns hands."

April —1, 1676, at a general town meeting: "The remoueing of y^e prisson & setting of itt In another place is wholey Left to y^e Select men Itt is alsoe Left to y^e Select men to agree wth any for y^e finishing of y^e towne house."

"Memorandum.—

"That: Major: W^m Hawthorn hath Left In his hands thirteen pounds In mony belonging to y^e towne: res^d: & Laid out, for bulletts part: and remoueing y^e Towne house, wth other Charges as y^e acc^t."

Jan. 2, 1676, at a meeting of the selectmen:—

"W^m Dounton Cred^r.

"By: building y^e towne house frame eighteen pds."

9: 1: 1676-7, at a meeting of the freemen: "Graunted to M^r: Jn^o: Gedny sen^r: a bill of nine pounds six shillings & 5^d: three pounds od mony of w^{ch} was upon raising y^e towne house y^e rest Expended by y^e Select men."

9: 5: 1678, paid to Manaseth Marston in land for
"p 1000 Clabords for y^e towne houe 04: 00.0."

June 16, 1677, at a town meeting: "Voated y^t y^e:
towne house shall bee remoued Into y^e street neer about
Jn^o Roapes his house."

Sept. 8, 1677, "Selectmen haue Agreed wth Daniell
Andrews to build y^e Chimnies & to fill & Larth y^e walls
of y^e Towne house alsoe to und^r pin y^e same In Consid-
eration w^{ch} hee is to haue y^e sum of -

"Agreed wth Jn^o Scelling to finish y^e Towne house:
vie to shingle Claboard floares, windows, stares & all
other things needfull wth respect to Carpenters worke,
as is more Largely Expressed In y^e Agreement. In
Consideration of w^{ch} hee is to haue twenty pounds, one
third mony two thirds In goods & prouisions."

March 15, 1677-8, at a meeting of the selectmen: "To
Mr. B. Gedny: pd for remoueing y^e towne house 01:
05: 00 * * * to: ye remain^r Laid out In boards & shingles
for y^e Towne house—bought by Cap^t Corwine"

May 22, 1678, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Agred
with Samuell Stone to build two Chimnies in the
townehoufe one below and a Chamber Chimny large, good
Substantiall worke and to prouid Labourers upon his
owne Charge for w^{ch} he is to haue fife pounds in merchan^t
Indian Corne at 3^d p bl. or goods at a portionable rate &
to doe the worke forth with."

14: 4: 1678, at a meefing of the selectmen: Allowed
"To Geo Both. in p^t for his worke about Towne houe p^d
him by manaf^t marston 0. 4: 4 To Alix^t mackmaly for
worke on the Towne houe 0. 8. 0 To: Jn^o milke for
worke on the Towne houe 0. 7. 0 * * *

"Res^d 123 fott $\frac{1}{2}$ Glafe for y^e Towne houe 6^d p. — 8:
4: 8."

12: 12: 1677: "p^t bords Clay dung & Carting bricks
for Towne houe as p^t Acc^o 09: 02: 00."

19: 5: 1678, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Jn^o
Skelling D^r to paid him towards his worke upon the
Towne houe * * *

"Resaued p^r worke upon the Towne house according to agrem^t - 20 : 00 : 00 p worke about the Galery at Towne house 04 : 11 : 11 :"

6 : 1 mo : 1678-9. Sam^l Beadle cr. "p 41 balester for the Towne house 2 : 1. 0."

1682. James Poland Cr. "p Iron work for the Towne house as p^r Acc^o 1. 17 : 4."

23 : 9 : 1680. Geo. Booth, Joynor Cred^r "1678 p worke upon the Towne house p Acc^o 3 : 7. 6 p work vpon ye towne house p Acc^o 1679 3. 0. 0."

31 : 10 : 1679 Mr Jn^o Gidny Cred^r "p board for Towne house : 2 : 16 : 0."

1677. "T under pining the towne house 30^s."

May 19, 1679, at a meeting of the selectmen "Cap^t John price is Chosen & desired with what speede may bee to fitt the Towne house Chamber soc as may bee Convenyent for the Courte to meete there"

"Cred^r p^r payd Sy^m Booth for town house worke 2^d."

31 : 10 : 1679. "m^r ffran^{cs} Skery is Dr * * * p^r Carting boards to the towne house 0 : 08. 00"

1681. Peter Chever. Cr. "T 32 B lime for y^e towne house 12d."

1682. "T work mend^z glafs for meeting house & town house : 16 : 00."

"Imp^r aboue 2bb of Lime & haire of Cap^t. W^m Browne aboute $\frac{1}{2}$ load clay of Jeremiah Rogers aboute 100 Brick batts. from y^e towne house &c."

Constable Jn^o Leach. Cr. "T p^d Rob^t fuller for work on Townhouse 0 : 3 : 6."

16 : 11 : 1683, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Giuen Sam^l Stone anoute to Ch^r Phelps for 10^s 6^d dew to him for worke on the Towne house formerly."

18 : 12 : 1683, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Jn^o Cooke Cr p hooks & staples for y^e Towne house 0. 18. 0."

June 12, 1688, at a meeting of the selectmen: "The Selectmen of Salem haueing Considered of the necessary Charge for y^e mayntenance of y^e poore, Repayr of Bridges High Wayes, Repaying of y^e meeting house Town House, Schoolehouse, Cage, & Stocks doe Judge itt necessary for the defraying the aforesaid Charge that there be One hundred Seauenty fower pounds in Curr^t pay Rayسد by the Inhabitants & that Cap^t John Price & Cap^t John Higginson are desired to present this aboue agreement to two Justices of y^e peace one of them of the Quorum for Approbation of the Same According to law."

Jan. 2, 1694-5, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered that there be a Sutable bell bought for the Town house and forthwith hanged in a Sutable territ to be built on Said house for that End and Said Charge to be defraied out of the money rec^d of m^r Deliu^ance Parkman for the Land he had taken in of the Townes neer Tho: Verrys."

March 8, 1694-5, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Agreed with Deacon John Marston to Shingle all the Eastern Side of the Towne house with Choice Cedar Shingle the Said Marston to finde Shingle nails & boards for Staging & Euery thing for the accomplishing Said worke at his own Cost & Charge & to finish the Same workmanlike with all Convenient Speed for which the Said Marston is to be paid by the Towne four pounds fifteen shillings in money."

"Essex fc Att a Generall Sefsions of y^e Peace holden at Salem June 30th 1696 On Petition of y^e Selectmen of Salem for y^e Proportioning y^e Charge of y^e Court house alias Town house in Salem On Consideration Whereof this Court Orders that y^e one half of y^e Charge of y^e Reperation of Said House be Discharged from Time To Time by y^e County and ^e other halfe by y^e Towne of Salem

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Exam^d p Steph: Sewall Cler^t

Sept. 23, 1699, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Cap^t Sam^l Browne is desired to Repair y^e School house att y^e Towne Charge as Sone as may be."

Dec. 18, 1699, at a general town meeting: "Voated That y^e Selectmen doe Prouide at y^e y^e Charge of y^e Towne Twenty Watter buckets goods and Two Iron hooks an Poles To ffasten hold on a houfe to Pull it downe when a fire and to be Keepin y^e Towne houfe Garrett and marked T: S:"

Feb. 9, 1699-1700, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Pursuant to y^e Instructions of y^e Towne || to || us y^e Selectmen y^e 9th May 1699. Its Agreed and Orderd that y^e School bell be rung at Seuen of y^e Clock in y^e morning and fiue in y^e Afternoon from y^e first day of March to y^e first day of November, and at Eight of y^e Clock in y^e Moſing and four in y^e Afternoon from y^e first day of November to y^e first day of March Annually, and y^e School *to begin and End Accordingly."

Aug. 25, 1701, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Order^d y^t Dan^l Epes find y^e Watch at y^e Town houfe wth wood for this year."

June 9, 1702: "Whereas the Justices & Selectmen of Salem have ordered Watch of flou men Every Night to be Kept at y^e watch House in Town House streete therefore all persons are to take Notice, viz^t" &c.

March 15, 1702-3, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ord^d y^t Maj^r Sam^l Browne doth fit up y^e clofet in y^e T. houfe Chamber to keep y^e Towns arms in."

Oct. 23, 1704, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ord^d y^t y^e T. Treas^r be desired To get y^e Town houfe Windows mended."

Jan. 1, 1704-5, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ord^d y^t Juⁿ Rogers sen^r have a Note on T. Treas^r for 9th for mending y^e School-houfe Windows."

Aug. 1, 1706, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ord^d y^t y^e T. Treas^r Supply y^e School wth a Bell Rope."

July 18, 1707, at a meeting of the selectmen: Ord^d y^t Nich. Neho have a Note on y^e T. Treas^r for 2/6 for work done at y^e T. houfe. Note given."

Aug. 5, 1707, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ord^d y^t Major Sam^l Browne Esquire Is desired To Repair y^e Watch houe & Town houe, as he Thinks is Needfull."

Sept. 26, 1707, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ord^d That Major Sam^l Browne Esq^r T. Treas^r is desired To get y^e School houe Windows mended."

Sept. 16, 1709, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ord^d That y^e Treas^r is Desired to get y^e Towne houe Windows mended."

March 14, 1711-2, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ordered y^t m^r John Higginson Jun^r be desired to repair y^e school houe, viz^t windows, tables formes, benches, claybording, and w^helse he thinks necessary, and y^t he have a note on y^e town Treasur^r for paying the same when he shall giue in his acc^t of disbursm^{ts}"

April 3, 1712, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ordered y^t the Town Treasur^r supply y^e watches wth wood Charcoal, candles and oyle for y^e year Ensuing, and that he repair y^e meeting houe, and Town houe as the Selectmen shall direct for y^e year Ensuing."

April 29, 1712, at a meeting of the selectmen : "ordered y^t y^e Town Clerk make out a Warrant to Warn a town meeting for . . . Erecting a suitable watch houe nigh y^e meeting houe wthin y^e bridge, y^e other not being thought a convenient ||place|| but much out of y^e way."

May 5, 1712, at a town meeting : "Voted that it ||is|| left to Col^o Samuel Browne, Maj^r Stephen Sewall & Maj^r John Turner to gett a Convenient Watch houe, built nigh y^e meeting houe afores^d of what dimensions they shall Judge suitable, and that y^e Selectmen order payment of y^e same when the account shall be brought in of y^e cost of said watch houe."¹

June 10, 1712, at a meeting of the selectmen : an article in a warrant for a town meeting : "To Consider of an

¹"In the middle of the street, between Mullikin's shop and Stearns and Waldo's brick store, stood in my day, a watch house, with a handsome wooden soldier, carved by Lemmon Biddle on the top. On the soldier was Anne Regina, in gold letters, 1712." — *Manuscript of Col. Benjamin Pickman, 1793; Essex Institute Hist. Col., VI: 93.*

Enlargem^t of y^e School in this town, and y^e methods whereby it may be performed and Supported : whether in having an afistant to y^e Grammer School mafter, or a writeing School maister district, as y^e town shall see meet ; y^t so y^e readers, Writers and Cyphers, may be fully taught, to the Generall fatisfaction of y^e town, that y^e whole may not be stunted and spoiled, and that y^e old watch houle be fitted up for accommodation of y^e same."

June 16, 1712, at a town meeting : "Voted That y^e old Watch houle adjoyning to y^e town houle be for the future sett apart and Improved for a School houle for the teaching and Instructing of youth in writeing, Cyphering ; marriners art and perfecting in Reading, and that y^e same be repaired & fitted Conveniently for y^e use afores^d by y^e Town Treasurer, as the Committy formerly chosen for y^e Grammer School shall direct."

Oct. 24, 1712, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ordered y^t Col^o Samuel Browne haue a note on the town Treasurer for thirty one pounds seven shillings & 1^d for so much disburs^t by him in building y^e new watch houle."

Oct. 19, 1713, at a meeting of the selectmen : "ordered y^t M^r Samuel Phillips haue a note on y^e Town Treasurer for nine shillings for his Son's ringing y^e Schooll Bell untill y^e 25th of September last past."

Dec. 16, 1713, at a meeting of the selectmen : "ordered y^t y^e Town Clerk giue y^e Town ||Treasur^r|| y^e acc^t of y^e disburs^tm^{ts} on y^e Town houle in order to be laid before her majesties Justices of y^e Court of Q^r Sefsions at their Next Sefsions on y^e last Tuesday of Dec^r Instand. for allowance ; and y^e County to pay him their half as formerly."

May 8, 1716, at a meeting of the selectmen : The town treasurer was ordered "To pay Coll^o Sam^l Brown Esq^r for disburs^tments on the Schoole houle 36/6^d. To pay Cap Price for disburs^tments on the Schoolhoue £4 : 18-9."

Feb. 6, 1716-7, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ordered That y^e Town Treasur^r pay the Acc^t that the Comittee for y^e Schools haue giuen in for A Stoue & Setting it up in the writeing & Reading School, Amounting to y^e Sum of

Eight pounds two shillings & 1^d it being Examined & Allowed."

Sept. 13, 1717, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That y^e Treasur^r pay Unto Sam^l Swasey Jun^r Twelve shillings for Ringing the School bell £0: 12: 0 for One Year to y^e 18th of July last as p. the School Comitte's Noat."

Aug. 4, 1718, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay Unto Will^m Young Seven shilling it being his Acc^t for mending & Setting of Glafs for the Town house"

"The County of Essex	Dr.
"To disburfments on y ^e Town house viz	
"March 1715 To paid Jn ^e Rogers for mending the Glass 5/4 ^d .	5: 4
"To paid Benj ^a Jues for mending Ditto 7/	7: 0
"To paid John Phippen 12 ^d .	1: 0
	13: 4
"Nov 4 1716 To paid Will ^m Young for mending y ^e Glafs 8/9 ^d . Nails 2 ^d .	8 11
"16 To a Stock Lock for y ^e Town house Door & Nails	2 —
"Jan ^r 14, 1717/8 To paid Will ^m Young for Glafing the Town house	3 —
"May 8 To paid Will ^m Young for Glafing the Town house	9 9
"Aug ^t 7 To paid Will ^m Young for Glafing the Town house	7 9
"To Nails 3 ^d	3
	"2 5 —"

Oct. 6, 1718, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay Unto Will^m Young five shillings & 3^d it being his Acc^t for glafs and mending the Windows of the School house."

Feb. 4, 1718-9, at a meeting of the selectmen: Article in warrant for town meeting:—

"To Consider the propofalls of His Maj^{ties} Justices of this County for the building of A new Town house

here, they offering in behalfe of the County to do A part, If this Town will Join with them therein. Also to Consider of A Suitable place where to Sett it, And to make Choice of One or more persons to be added to the Committee Already appointed by His Maj^{ties} Justices for manageing of the Same."

Feb. 9, 1718-9, at a town meeting: "The proposalls of the Justices of the County at their last Sessions being Read & Considered, That whereas the Justices in their last Sessions did Agree, That there should be a new Town & Court house built in Salem, the Shire Town of the County, To be About 40 foot Long & 30 foot wide with a Sutable Roof & Stud for two Stories. The Chamber to be fitted for the Entertainment and Conveniency of the Justices and Courts to be held in the Town for the County and the County to pay one halfe of the Charge & Cost, provided the Town of Salem Join in it and will be at the other halfe of the Charge & Cost of Said building

"Wherefore voted That this Town doth accept of the Justices proposalls, and will be at the halfe of the Charge and Cost of building & finishing the Said Town & Court house. And we desire that the Justices will allow the house to be eight or Ten foot Longer, which we would haue made and done.

"Voted, That Mr Will^m Gedney is Chosen & desired to Assist & Join with the Committee Appointed by the Justices for Carrying on the worke and getting it done & finished as Soon as may be with Conveniency.

"Voted, That the placing of the Town or Court ||house|| be Left to the Committee to place the Same in or near the Town house street

"Voted. That whereas there may be a Conveniency, for making a good cellar under the Said Townhouse, and the Justices of the County not desiring to be done for them, nor the Town for them Therefore liberty is hereby Granted Unto Samuel Browne, Esq^r and Such other of the Town as he shall take in with him who shall haue the liberty of Digging & Stoneing y^e Said Cellar provided he or they will be at the Extraordinary Charge Occasioned

by the making of an Cellar, Which Cellar shall be to the Use and benefit of him or them and their Heirs & assigns.

"Voted That there be a Tax of Two hundred pounds raised on the Inhabitants of this Town for procureing materials and workmen for building Compleating & finishing the Said Town & Court house and paying for halfe the Charge thereof, the Said Tax to be made and apportioned on the Said Inhabitants the Year 1719 And to be Collected and paid into the Town Treasurer by the first day of December Next, and by the Said Treasurer is to be paid into the Committee, who is to take care and bring forward & accomplish Said house or building, and to haue it as fast as the worke Calls for it when Collected; and that when the Said Town or Court house shall be built and finished, An accompt of the same Shall be laid before the Town or Selectmen that they may know the halfe of y^e Charge & Cost of the Said building."¹

Dec. 7, 1719, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay Unto Will^m Young Eight shillings & 5^d it being his acc^t for mending the Schoolhouse Glafs."

May 2, 1720, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Acc^{ts} giuen in by Coll^o Browne & m^r Gedney for the repair of the watchhouse & old Town house the Sums whereof amounting to Seventy four Shillings & Six pence be pased to the Treasur^r for payment, they being allow'd."

Dec. 4, 1721, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward Twenty One Shillings & 2^d it being his Acco^t for a Table for the writing School & for repairing & putting up of Glafs to the School House."

May 7, 1722, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the School House be repaired it being much out of repair, & that it be left to the Selectmen within the Bridge to view the Same & to Order & gett done what may be proper & convenient."

¹ This Town- and Court-house was built fifty feet long and thirty wide.

Dec. 3, 1722, at a meeting of the selectmen :—

"Ordered That the Treasur^r pay the Acco^a for the Repair of the School House viz

"To Coll^r Browne's acc^t for boards & Timber 4: 2: 7

"To Tho^s Barton's acco^t for Clapboards nails &c. 2: 13: 7

"To Benj^a Gerrish's acco^t for Stones 0: 6: 0

"To John Nuttings acco^t for nails 0: 13: 10

"To Will^m Youngs acco^t for makeing & mending the Glafs 1: 1: 6

"To Miles Wards acco^{ts} for Ditto 0: 15: 0

"To Paul Langdon's acco^t for Clapboards Shingles & Worke 9: 18: 1

"To John Holliman for Mafon's worke & painting 2: 4: 0

"To Jon^a Glover for 42 feet Timber for A Ground cell @ 8^d 1: 8: 0

"£23: 2: 7"

May 6, 1723, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Ordered That it be left with the Selectmen within y^e Bridge to haue a Survey upon the Bell free on the School House if it may be Sufficent to hang the New Bell in, Now come from England in Cap^t Pear, and to cause y^e said Bell to be hung, Also to agree with Cap^t Pear for the price of it and to Order the pay therefor."

Aug. 5, 1723, at a meeting of the selectmen :—

"Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Cap^t Sam^l Pear the ballance of his Acco^t for the New Bell for the Schooll, Allso to pay the Acc^t of Charge for hanging of said Bell

"Town of Salem Dr^t to Cap^t Sam^l Pear

"To A Bell q^t 87½ lb @ 16^d p lb Sterl. £6: 00: 10

Clapper &c.

"Cr. By an Old Bell q^t 42lb Sold at 8^d Sterling 1: 8: 0

"£4: 12: 10

"To the Advance at 200 p cwt 9: 5: 8

"13½ 8½ 6

"To A Cask for the Bell	3: 0
"Due to Cap ^t Pear in Province Bills	£14: 1: 6
"Town Dr ^r for hanging the Bell, viz	
"To Rich ^d Pike's acco ^t for Iron work	1: 10: 0
"To Paul Langdons Acco ^t for hanging it	1: 10: 0
"To Tho ^s Barton for 5 th Brads for y ^e	
Gudgeons & paying W ^m Lufcomb for	
Castig them	9: 10
	"3: 9: 10"

Feb. 3, 1723-4, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward, 9^s 3^d for Mending the School House Windows, and Thirteen Shillings & 6^d more for mending the Town House Windows in all is 22/9^d."

Sept. 13, 1725, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That [ye] Treasur^r pay the Acc^t of Charge for repairs done to the School House this Summer viz.

"To M ^r Joseph Orne's Acco ^t for Timber Plank, Boards Shingles & paying the Carpenter & for A	
Chair	3: 5: 2
"To Tho ^s Barton's Acco ^t for Nails	6: 8
	"3: 11: 10"

Dec. 17, 1725, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward jun^r Twenty Six Shillings & 4^d it being his Acco^t for New setting & mending the School House Glass Windows."

July 4, 1726, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto John Holliman five shillings for pointing & Clearing the Stove and Chimney at the School House."

March 6, 1726-7, at a meeting of the selectmen: The town treasurer is ordered to pay Mr. Joseph Orne, jr., for a disbursement, viz: "To p^d Abraham Southwick for mending the Schoolhouse Stove & for Bricks & Lyme 14: 6"; and to pay Thomas Barton for "a Bell Rope for the School House 4: 0".

March 4, 1727-8, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward Jun^r Twenty five shillings & 11^d it being his Acco^t for mending the School House Glafs the last year."

Dec. 2, 1728, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward Jun^r Two pounds four shillings & 5^d it being his Acco^t for mending the School Houses & Old Court Chamber Windows, as also the Alms House Windows for Goodman Rogers."

May 5, 1729, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Mr John Gerrish Master of the Writing School Twenty Shillings & 3^d it being his Acco^t for some repairs done to that School House at the direction of the Selectmen. . . .

"Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Mr Miles Ward Three pounds Nine Shillings & 2^d, it being his Acco^t, for repairing the School House, New hanging the School house Bell & for Several flornes for that School."

Dec. 1, 1729, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward Jun^r Sixteen shillings & 6^d for repairing the Town House Glafs and Two pounds three shillings & 2^d more for repairing the Schoolhouse & Almshouse Glafs."

Feb. 2, 1729-30, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Mr Miles Ward Thirty five Shillings & 10^d it being his Acco^t for some repairs done at the || old || Court House Chamber, and the School House the Summer past."

Oct. 5, 1730, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Miles Ward Jun^r his Acco^t, viz'

"To Repairing the Town & Court House Glafs	2 :	15 :	6
"To Repairing the School Houses Glafs		17 :	10
	" £ 3 :	13 :	4 "

Feb. 1, 1730-1, at a meeting of the selectmen: "Ordered That the Treasur^r pay unto Mr Miles Ward Eight

pounds Eight shillings & 3^d, in full of his accompt for Work Shingles Nails &c for Shingling & mending the School Houfe."

July 4, 1732, at a meeting of the selectmen : " Agreed by Mr Orne Cap^t King Cap^t Plaisted & John Higginson, That it be Entered in the Warrant to Consider of Repairing the Writing School Houfe or Erecting a new one."

Aug. 21, 1732, at a meeting of the town : "Voted That the Writeing School shall be pull^d Down & Enlarged.

" Voted That it be Left to the Selectmen to Enlarge the School Houfe. . . .

" Voted That the Charge of Enlargeing y^e School Houfe and the Towns proportion of the County Tax for the present year shall be paid & Defrayed out of the Sum of five hundred pounds."

Dec. 4, 1732, at a meeting of the selectmen : " Agreed That Miles Ward Jun^r Acc^t amounting to 48/ for y^e Court Houfe & fourteen pounds Seven shillings & Two pence for The School houfe be allowed & paid by y^e Treas^r Or^d given."

March 5, 1732, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed "That Maj^r Plaisted be allowed & p^d by y^e Treas^r 30/ for 3hh^d of Clapboards for y^e School Houfe."

March 17, 1732, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed " That y^e Treas^r pay Maj^r Plaisted 61/ being So much paid Israel Andrew for Timber for the School Houfe."

June 4, 1733, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Agreed That the School Houfe & Watch Houfe be repaired & an armory built in y^e new Town Houfe Garret Also That the Stocks be mended all to be done att the Towns Charge and That Col^o Barton Maj^r Plaisted & Mr Ward are Desired To have y^e Oversight Thereof also that y^e arms be Cleansed."

Dec 3, 1733, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed "That Mr Ward Repair the School Houfe & Raise a Belfrey on the South End of the Houfe & Set up the Watchman on the Watch Houfe."

Jan. 7, 1733, at a meeting of the selectmen : Ordered
 "That Miles Ward Junⁿ acc^t * * * For y^e Sch : Houfe
 1 : 19 : 6 be allowed & paid by y^e Treas^r"

Feb. 4, 1733, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That Abraham Southwicks acc^t for y^e School Houfe
 am^o to 12/ 6 be allowed and p^d by Treas^r"

Aug. 5, 1734, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Agreed
 That Mr Wards Acc^t for the School Houfe & Watch
 Houfe amounting to 6^{lb}.-6^s.-0^d. be allowed & paid byt he
 Treas^r."

Oct. 6, 1735, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Agreed
 That Cap^t King & John Higginfon repair y^e School
 Houfe as they find needfull and Convenient."

Jan. 5, 1735, at a meeting of the selectmen : "Agreed
 That Miles Ward Jun^r acc^t am^o to 4.. 8.. 10 for y^e
 School Houfe * * * be allow^d & paid by y^e Treas^r ord^t."

Sept. 6, 1736, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That Miles Ward Jun^r acc^t amounting to 54/ for the
 Town & Court Houfe and Twenty five Shill^{ts} & 7^d for
 y^e School Houfe be allowed & paid by the Treasurer."

March 11, 1736, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That miles Ward Junⁿ Acc^t amounting To 24/ for
 mending The Skool Houfe Windows be allow^d & paid
 by The Treas^r."

Dec. 6, 1737, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That miles Ward Junⁿ Acc^t * * * School & Houfe 2.. 12..
 2 * * * be allow^d & p^d ord^t"

Feb. 5, 1738, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That Miles ||Ward|| Jun^r Acc^t for School house &
 Almshouse amounting to eight pounds Twelve fhillings
 & Three pence be allowed & Paid."

Oct. 3, 1743, at a meeting of the selectmen : Agreed
 "That Benⁿ Butnam have an order on y^e Treas^r for £6 :
 2/, old Tenor in discharge of his acc^t of Work at School
 house.

"That Robert Allen have an order on y^e Treas^r for Four pounds Twelue Shill^l old Tenor, in full of his acc^t of Work ab^t School house.

"That John Con have an order on y^e Treas^r for 40/ old Tenor for Two Dayes & half work ab^t School house. * * *

"That Isaac Aborn have an order on y^e Treas^r for £3. 1. 6 in discharge of his ac^t of Work &c at Schoolhouse."

Nov. 7, 1748, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed
"That Nat Pike haue an order on y^e Treas^r for 3. 1. 6 old Tenor in discharge of his ac^t of work &c at Schoolhouse."

Feb. 9, 1743, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed,
"That Ben^r Gray Painter Stainer haue an ord^r on y^e Treas^r for 20/ old Tenor in full for Primeing y^e School house Windows."

March 9, 1746, at a town meeting: "It being put to vote whether a small Bell should be procured for the School-House to be rung as y^e School-Committee shall direct The old Bell to be sold to discharge as far as it will go towards the New-Bell, it past in the negative."

Aug. 5, 1751, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed
"That Michael Moore haue an order on the Treas^r for £2. 1. 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ in discharge of his accounts of mending the School House windows."

Sept. 2, 1751, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed
"That Joshua Wetherell haue an order on y^e Treas^r for 61/ old tenor in discharge of his Acc^t of mending the School-House & nails."

Jan. 6, 1752, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed
"That W^m Gale haue an order on y^e Treas^r for 8/8 for sundries for building y^e Chimney in y^e School House as p his account."

Oct. 4, 1756, at a meeting of the selectmen: Agreed
"That Tho^s Luscomb haue an Order on y^e Treas^r for 15/8 in discharge of his accounts for y^e meeting House & School House Bells & ab^t a Lock & Key."

March 5, 1759, at a meeting of the selectmen : Article in warrant for town meeting to be held April 7, 1759 : "To consider of y^e expediency & nesefity of repairing y^e School House or building a new one, and in case it shall be tho^t best to build a new School House, to determint where y^e same shall be set, and to order (if y^e Town shall think fit) that a suitable Lot of Land be purchased to see y^e fame upon, and to Grant a sufficient sum of money to defray y^e Charge, and generally to do whatever shall be judged best relating to this matter."

March 12, 1759, at a town meeting : "It being put to vote whether y^e old School House should be pulled down & a new one built instead of it at y^e charge of y^e Town, it past in y^e negatiue.

"Voted That The School Committee be desired to get some suitable workmen to view y^e Schoole House, examine y^e itate & condition of it, & to giue their Judgment whether it be worth a general & thorough repair & what such a repair would cost & whether some small repairs would not be sufficient to make it comfortable for a year or two & what y^e expense of y^e same would be, or if it should be Judged necessary to haue a new School-House built to make a computation of y^e cott, and That y^e s^d Com^{ee} make report thereupon to y^e Town at their meeting in May next."

May 5, 1760, at a meeting of the selectmen : Article in warrant for town meeting : " To Determine & Direct where the New School House ordered by y^e Town to be built shall be set up & erected."

May 19, 1760, at a town meeting : "It being put to vote whether they would now determine where y^e new School House ordered to be built in s^d Town shall be set ; it past in the affirmative.

"It being put to vote whether y^e s^d House shall be erected in on or as near as may be to y^e Spot y^e old School-House now stands, it past in y^e negative.

"Voted That the School House to be built in s^d Town shall be erected in y^e School-House Lane where the

Committee for building s^d || House || proposed, being to northward"_____!

[NOTE.—The town records end abruptly here; and the date of the next record is May 8, 1764, several years' records being missing.]

EXTRACTS FROM COURT RECORDS, 1636-1673, 1679, 1718.

1: 11 mo: 1639, Geo: Dill fined 40^s for "drunkenes, & to stand att the meeting houf doar next Lecture day, with a Clefte stick upon his Tong, & pap vpon his hatt subscribed for groff ||p'meditated|| Lyinge."—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1636-1641, page 31.*

Lt. William Howard deposed that Joseph fflower and his company had spent nine pounds at Mr. Gedney's, 26: 10: 1649.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1648-1655, page 34.*

Mr. Gedney fined for suffering several strangers in his house, being an ordinary, in time of lecture, 27: 12: 1649.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1648-1655, page 42.*

John Kitchen and Rich: Graves presented for playing at shuffle board at Mr. Gedney's, 7 mo: 1649, 25: 12: 1650.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1648-1655, page 63.*

Mr. John Gidney was given liberty to draw and sell strong water, 29: 9: 1653.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1648-1655, page 121.*

Servants in y^e house. Rob^t Prince to have 2^s and the rest 3^s, 2: 10 mo: 1654.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1648-1655, page 152.*

Servants of y^e house to have 5^s for their attendance, 29: 9: 1655.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 7.*

¹ "Opposite to Mr. Derby's house,* stood in the centre of the street an old wooden school-house, which was formerly the Court House, and where the witches were tried. This Court-House was pulled down in 1760. My curiosity often led me to view the place where those unfortunate persons were tried, in those deluded times."—*Manuscript of Col. Benjamin Pickman, 1793; Essex Institute Hist. Col., VI: 93.*

*On southern corner of Washington and Lynde streets. — S. P.

Servants of ye house to have 5^s, 24: 4: 1656.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 15.*

5^s to servants of the house, 28: 9: 1656.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 23.*

5^s to servants at ye house for their attendance, 30: 4: 1657.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 32.*

Servants of the house to have 5^s, 24: 9: 1657.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 36.*

Servants of the house to have 7^s 6^d, 20: 5: 1658.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 45.*

Mr. Gedney's former license renewed, Sept. 28, 1658.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 55.*

Servants of the house to have 6^s, Sept. 28, 1658.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 56.*

Mr. Gedney to be pd his due and expenses, June 28, 1659.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 63.*

Servants of the house to have 5^s, June 28, 1659.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 63.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed, 29: 9: 1659.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 71.*

Servants of the house to have 5^s, 29: 9: 1659.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 71.*

Servants of house allowed 5^s, June 26, 1660.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 80.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed, 27: 9: 1660.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 62a.*

Servants of house allowed 6^s, 27: 9: 1660.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 62a.*

Servants of Mr. Gedney's house to have 6^s, 25: 4: 1661.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 73a.*

Mr. John Gedney's license renewed, 10: 10: 1661.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 83.*

Servants of Mr. Gedney's house allowed 7^s 6^d and Mr. Browne's man 18^d, 10: 10: 1661.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 83.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed for selling strong water, June 24, 1662.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 95.*

Servants of the house 2^s 6^d and of Mr. Browne's house as worshipful Mr. Samuel Symonds shall order it, June 24, 1662.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 99.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed, 25: 9: 1662.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 107.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's allowed 6^s 8^d, 25: 9: 1662.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 108.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed for selling strong water at retail, 30: 4: 1663.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 118.*

Servants of the house allowed 7^s and Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, 30: 4: 1663.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 119.*

Mr. Gedney's license renewed for retailing strong water, 24: 9: 1663.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 123.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house allowed 7^s Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, 24: 9: 1663.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 126.*

Mr. John Gidney's license for drawing wine and keeping an ordinary renewed, 28: 4: 1664.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 134.*

Servants of house allowed 6^s 8^d and Elder Browne's maid 12^d, 28: 4: 1664.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 134.*

Mr. Gidney's license renewed for retailing strong liquor, 29: 9: 1664.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 142.*

Servants of the house allowed 5^s and Mr. Browne's maid 12^d, 29: 9: 1664.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 142.*

Servants of ye house allowed 7^s, 27: 4: 1665.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 148.*

Mr. Gidney's license renewed to retail strong water, 28: 9: 1665.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 154.*

Servants of Mr. Gedney allowed 7^s and Mr. Browne's 18^d, 28: 9: 1665.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 156.*

Mr. John Gidney's license renewed, 26: 4: 1666.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 161.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house allowed 7^s and Mr. Brown's maid 18^d, 26: 4: 1666.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 168.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house allowed 6^s and Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, 27: 9: 1666.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1655-1666, page 177.*

Of 40^s costs in a certain case, 3^s 6^d was due to Mr. Gidney for expenses, June 25, 1667.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 3.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house allowed 7^s and Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, June 25, 1667.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 5.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house 7^s 6^d and Mr. Browne's servant 18^d, 20: 9: 1667. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 7.*

"We present Erasmus Jeames for giving his mother abusive Langwish and shoueing hur Downeward the stares of the Cort Chamber." — *From the presentments of the General Jury, November Term, 1667; Salem Quarterly Court Files, book 13, leaf 20.*

"The testimony of Henery Colens Se^{no} being sworn at Salem Courtt nouember Last: for y^e feruis of y^e Country on y^e Gran Jury:

"Testifieth that beinge in y^e Courtt Chamber in y^e houff ||of|| m^r Gidny that Rossamus James did Attempt with voyolence to put his mother out of y^e Chamber And further faith Not

"Sworne in Court at Salem 1: 5: 68

"atestes Hilliard Veren Cler."

— *Salem Quarterly Court Files, book 13, leaf 72.*

"Thee testimonie of mark Bat[c]heler being vnder oath to serue on the Gran Jury

"Testifieth being in y^e Courtt Chamber in y^e houff of m^r Gidney in Nouember last: that Rossamus James did Attempt vyolently to put his mother out of y^e Chamber: & further faith nott

"Sworne in court 1: 5: 68:

"atestes Hillyard veren Cler."

— *Salem Quarterly Court Files, book 13, leaf 72.*

Mr. Gidney, sr, had his license renewed June 30, 1668. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 11.*

The Servants of the house allowed 7^s Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, June 30, 1668. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 13.*

Servants of Mr. Gidney's house allowed 7^s and Mr. Browne's maid 18^d, 24: 9: 1668. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 19.*

"the servants of m^r Gidney's house allowed 7^s & the servants of m^r John Browne allowed 18^d • • •

"m^r John Gidney has his former licence renewed," 29: 4: 1669. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679, leaf 26.*

Papers relating to new meeting-house filed in suit brought to recover a rate for the payment thereof but containing nothing more than the town records, 1670-1673. — *Salem Quarterly Court Files, volume XXI, leaves 8-12.*

"the servants of the house 7^s 6^d", 27: 4: 1671. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679.*

"the servants of m^r Gardners house allowed 7^s m^r Brownes maid allowed 18^d", 28: 9: 1671.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679.*

"the servants of y^e house 9^s 6^d . . . & 18^d allowed y^e servants of m^r Gedneyes," 25: 4: 1672.—*Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679.*

M^r John Gedney's license for retailing strong waters renewed. . . .

"The servants of m^r Gardners house hau allowed 8^d & the servants of m^r Gidneyes 3^s & m^r Brownes maid 3^s," 26: 9: 1672. — *Salem Quarterly Court Records, 1667-1679.*

"Whereas y^e Court Chamber in Salem y^e Shire Towne of y^e County of Essex is found by Experience to be too Streight & Inconvenient for y^e Entertainment of y^e Courts that have Occasion to make Use of y^e Same & Judged so by y^e Justices of y^e Super^r Court of Judicature, who at their last Sesssions found it too Small, & desired & Directed¹ it might be enlarged or made bigger & for as much as it hath been debated & moved in former Courts for y^e amendment Thereof, & y^e Consideration & resolution Thereabout continued to this Court. This Court do Think It expedient for y^e accomodation of y^e Several Courts y^e are to Sit annually therein & do hereby ord^r y^t there be a Court House erected built & finisht wⁱⁿ y^e s^d Towne as y^e Com^{tee} hereafter nominated or y^e Maj^r part of them Shall direct of ab^t 40 foot Lond, wide . . . & 20 ft Stud or Thereabouts convenient for two Stories besides y^e Roof The uppear Story or Chamber for y^e Use of y^e Court & y^e Lower Story or Room for y^e Use of y^e Town of Salem for an Exchange or as they Shall See cause to improve it & y^t the Charge thereof be born & paid y^e One half of it by y^e County out of y^e next County Rate or Tax & y^e other half by y^e Town of Salem & that if

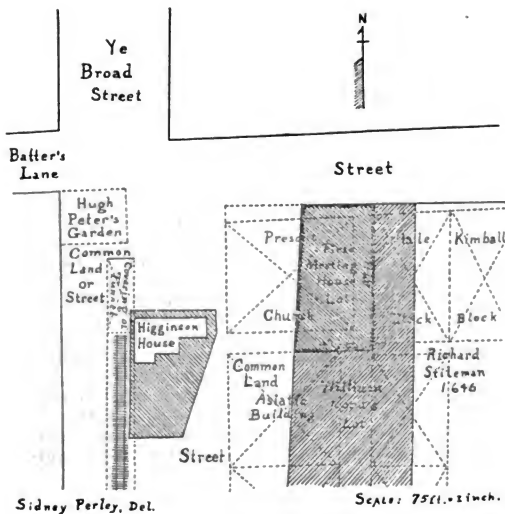
¹ A thorough search in the records and files of the Superior Court of Judicature, deposited in Boston, and in the records and files of the Sessions Court at Salem, reveals nothing further relative to the insufficiency of the court chamber in Salem. —S. P.

any or either of y^e Committee will advance y^e Money or any Person or Persons Else for y^e expediting y^e Work, y^e Counteys Shall be repaid Them out of y^e next County Rate & if y^e Town of Salem or any Particular Gentleman or others See cause to digg & Stone a Cellar under it at their own Costs & Charge They have Liberty so to do w^e Shall be & remain for y^e proper use & benefit of him or Them that may make ye Same and that Col^o John Appleton Esqr. Col^o Sam^l Browne Esqr & Stephen Sewall Esqr. or y^e Major part of them are appointed a Com^{tee} to take Care of & pform this worke with all convenient Speed." Court of General Sessions of the Peace for Essex County Dec. 30, 1718.—*Records of Court of General Sessions of the Peace, 1696-1718, page 364.*

"Whereas y^e Town of Salem at a Legal meeting has come into y^e Proposals of y^e Justices at y^e last Sessions for being & bearing half y^e Charge in building a Town House or Court House in Salem of about 40 foot long & 30 foot wide and further have moved to this Court y^t I[t] may be built Eight or 10 foot longer. Its Considered by y^e Court that y^e s^d Motion is granted to Wit. that its left to y^e Com^{tee} appointed to take care for y^e building s^d House to their Discretion to build it Eight or Ten foot longer, not exceeding ten foot as y^e s^d Com^{tee} Shall see meet & y^e County to pay y^e one half y^e Charge as They agreed for y^e former." Court of General Sessions, Feb. 18, 1718-9.—*Records of Court of General Sessions of the Peace, 1696-1718, page 367.*

SITE OF FIRST MEETING-HOUSE, 1635.

On the next page is a map, drawn on a scale of seventy-five feet to an inch, showing the location of the first meeting-house in 1635. Some of the present sites of buildings are shown by dotted lines. The meeting-house stood on the eastern half of the present lot; and the second meeting-house and its successors occupied the western



SITE OF FIRST MEETING-HOUSE, 1635.

part, the present church, as will be noticed, occupying nearly the whole of the present lot.

The peculiar house of William Lord was at the southeastern corner of the meeting-house lot.

After the removal of the first meeting-house, in 1674, its site was used as a market place.

The Higginson house is that which was the residence of Rev. Francis Higginson, and later of Roger Williams, it is believed.

Hugh Peter's garden was sold to Benjamin Felton in 1659, and to it the prison was subsequently moved from its site on the easterly side of the garden to secure space for the town house.

HISTORY OF QUAKER MEETING-HOUSE.

Benjamin Gerrish of Salem, for ninety pounds, conveyed to Thomas Maule two and one-half acres of land, "being the halfe of that lott formerly caled by y^e name of Cottees lott, & now in y^e possession of me y^e sd Benjamin Gerrish, & is scituate, lyng & being in Salem aforesd, bounded to y^e land of Rob't Kitchen on y^e one side, & on y^e other with y^e land y^e was old Reveses, fronting northward to the maine streete, & southward to y^e other halfe of ye sd Cottees lott," Jan. 22, 1683.—*Registry of Deeds, book 6, leaf 105.*

"Articles of Agreement made & concluded on this fourteenth day of September, 1688, Annoq Regni Regis Jacobi Secundi quarto, between Thomas Maule of Salem, shopkeeper, on y^e one part, & John Richards of Boston, marriner, on y^e other part, wittnesseth: that there shall be a way of five foot and four inches, betweene y^e new meeting house which Said Maul is building in Salem aforesaid, on y^e lott caled Cottey's lott, w^{ch} Sd Maul purchased of Benjamin Gerrish, and y^e northeast corner of said Richards his dwelling house in y^e front next the streete, to be the aforesaid breadth from y^e western corner of sd meeting house or dwelling house, to y^e eastern corner of said Richard's his house as aforesd, and this to be the bounds betwixt said Maul and Richards, their heirs, executors, administrators and assignes forever.

In witness whereof the parties abovesd have hereunto set their hands and seales the day and yeare abovesd.

"Signed, Sealed
& delivered in
presence of us.
Stephen Sewall,
Daniel Lambertt.

Thomas Maule
& a seale
marke of
John X Richards
& a seale.

"Mr. Thomas Maule & John Richards personally appearing before me acknowledged y^e above written instrument to be their act & deed, this 14th of September, 1688.

Bartho: Gedney
"of the Councill."

—*Registry of Deeds, book 8, leaf 112.*

Thomas Maul of Salem, merchant, for forty-five pounds, conveyed to "Josiah & Danⁿ Southwick Samⁿ Gaskin Caleb Buffum Christopher ffoster Sarah Stone all of Salem in New England aforesa^d Samⁿ Collins of Lyn & severall others of y^e people called Quakers in y^e County of Effex in New Engl^d . . . A small tract or peⁿ of Land Containing about foure Rodds or poles, be itt more or bee itt Lesse being scitvate in y^e Town of Salem afores^d as itt lyes bounded viz: easterly & southerly by Land of s^d maule, Westerly by land now in possession of Jn^o Richards of salem aboves^d & northerly by y^e maine broad-street or highwaye, just as itt lyes and is now fenced, Together wth a meeting houle, w^{ch} stands apon said land. for y^e use of y^e abovenamed & severall others of y^e people Comonly Called Quakers to worship & serve God in," Oct. 13, 1690.— *Registry of Deeds, book 9, leaf 29.*

Thomas Maule of Salem, merchant, gave to his son John Maule of Salem, cordwainer, "all that my feild or orchard and mowing ground Called the meeting houle pasture Containing Six acres be the Same more or lefs butted and bounded as followeth with the land of m^r Robert Kitchen in part and partly with the land of Jonathan Pickering Easterly with the high way Southerly with the lands of Thomas Flint Ephraim Kempton and land that was John Reeuses westerly and with the Main

Street northerly," and other real estate, April 9, 1707.
—*Registry of Deeds, book 19, leaf 164.*

Thomas Maule of Salem, merchant, as attorney to his son John Maule of Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania, for twenty pounds, conveyed to Richard Oakes formerly of Lynn, now of Salem, shopkeeper, one hundred and five rods of land in Salem, "begining thirty one foot from the meeting house of the people called Quakers & so runing Easterly & So from ~~from~~ the thirty one foot from the || Easterly halfe y^e Length of y^e said || Meeting house feild, but it is to be understood that ten foot of the thirty foot from the North East Corner of said Meeting house is not purchafed but it is Given him said Oakes & the proprietors so Long as they Injoy it peacably both he & y^e owners of said house w^{ch} Land as aforesaid is bounded Northerly ||upon|| y^e maine street Easterly with Land of John Maule & southerly & westerly with y^e Land of widdow Darby," April 3, 1710.—*Registry of Deeds, book 21, leaf 196.* Confirmed by 36: 193.

Richard Oakes of Salem, shopkeeper, for sixty-eight pounds, mortgaged to Thomas Maule of Salem, merchant, dwelling-house and one hundred and five rods of land in Salem, "butted & Bounded as followeth Northerly with y^e Street or high way Easterly & Southerly with other land of y^e Said Thomas Maules which he hath lately giuen & conveyed y^e reversion thereof to his Son John Maule & Westerly with land formerly Granted by y^e Said Thomas Maule to his friends call'd Quakers to Set a meeting house on & Convenient roome about it," May 22, 1711.—*Registry of Deeds, book 22, leaf 262.*

"At our Mounthly Meeting at Salem the 13-3-1714. The Several weekly meetings called over and Friends apearing From Each proceeded to Business.

"This meeting having considered of building a new meeting house at Salem have agreed that the Length of said House shall be fourty feet and bredth thirty four feet and Eighteen feet studd these dementions are to be sent to the Yearly meeting at Rhoad Island for there aprobaton."—*Friends Monthly Meeting Records.*

3mo: 12: 1715, "Wee Rec^d From Salem Preparative Meeting an acco concerning Caleb Buffum Jun^r Respecting his Preaching & seting up in the Gallery which being considered we Judge that he ought to forbare offering any by way of Testimony for the futer and that he sett down out of the Gallery¹ untill this meeting are fully satisfied that its his place and duty to which he freely submitts and promises to be subject."—*Friends Monthly Meeting Records.*

1716. 10-3, "Wee have sold the old meeting house to Thomas Maul of Salem for Twenty five pounds."—*Friends Monthly Meeting Records.*

"Daniel Southwick Samuel Gaskill Caleb Buffam & Samuel Collins with other their friends caled quakers having bought another peice on y^e ||other|| Side of y^e way more commodious & convenient for y^e Setting a Meeting houle on & haue Erected a Meeting houle thereon Wherefore y^e Said Daniel Southwick Samuel Gascuyn Caleb Buffam & Samuel Collins within named being all that are Surviving of y^e nominated purchasfers ffor & on behalfe of Themselves thier hiers Executors & administrators as well as on behalfe of thier friends as before described that are any wayes intrested in y^e old houle & Land within mentioned," for twenty-five pounds, reconveyed to Thomas Maule about four rods of land "as its now fenced in with y^e old houning Thereupon," Nov. 18, 1718.—*Registry of Deeds, book 34, leaf 202.*

"At our Mounthly Meeting at Salem the 10. . 3. . 1722 Richard Oake & Sam^r Collins are desired to attend the Yearly meeting at Rhoad Island.

"The friends who were appoointed to consider of the biggnes of Salem New Meeting house have at Salem agreed and concluded it shall be 40 foot long and Thirty foot wide."

— *Friends Monthly Meeting Records.*

Richard Oaks of Salem, shopkeeper, for two hundred and forty pounds, conveyed to James Bowdoin of Boston,

¹It is said, on good authority, that "Gallery" means the "high seat."—S. P.

merchant, one hundred and five rods of land, described as in deed to the grantor (page 269), Sept. 20, 1712.—*Registry of Deeds, book 25, leaf 62.*

James Bowdoin of Boston, esquire and merchant, conveyed to Samuel Stone of Salem, tailor, one hundred and five rods of land, described as in deed of John Maule to Richard Oakes (page 269), Feb. 9, 1732.—*Registry of Deeds, book 61, leaf 215.*

Samuel Stone of Salem, tailor, mortgaged to James Bowdoin of Boston, esquire, one hundred and five rods of land, described as in deed of John Maule to Richard Oakes (page 269), March 25, 1736.—*Registry of Deeds, book 71, leaf 9.*

Samuel Stone of Salem, tailor, mortgaged to Roger Peal of Salem, shipwright, one hundred and five rods of land, described as in deed of John Maule to Richard Oakes (page 269), March 25, 1736.—*Registry of Deeds, book 71, leaf 10.*

Will of Thomas Maule of Salem, shopkeeper, dated Aug. 30, 1723; proved July 2, 1724. His heirs were Joseph Maule, a son, and two or more daughters, besides his widow Sarah. This meeting-house lot was devised in this will.—*Probate Files.*

Sarah Clifton, late Sarah Maule, of Philadelphia, Pa., widow, sometime wife of Thomas Maule of Salem, merchant, deceased, and Thomas Maule and Content Nicholson, children of said Thomas Maule, deceased, conveyed to her (Sarah, and Thomas') son Joseph Maule land on the south side of the main street in Salem, etc., July 13, 1747.—*Registry of Deeds, book 91, leaf 70.*

Joseph Maull of Salem, mariner, mortgaged dwelling house and lot where I now dwell to Miles Ward, jr., of Salem, joiner, Oct. 23, 1747.—*Registry of Deeds, book 93, leaf 196.*

Execution for possession of a dwelling house and lot of land of about six rods in suit brought by Miles Ward,

jr., of Salem, gentleman, against Richard Maiberry, blacksmith, and Abraham Fowler, mariner, both of Salem, May 11, 1752, bounded north by the main street, east and south by Samuel Stone, and west by Joshua Hicks.—*Registry of Deeds, book 97, leaf 253.*

Execution in suit of William Browne of Salem, esquire, against Joseph Maul of Salem, mariner: in satisfaction whereof a piece of land in Salem, bounded as follows, was assigned to said Brown, viz: "Bounded East by Land of Samuel Stone Forty three feet three Inches beginning from the North East Corner of the Premises Bounded South by said Stones Land Thirty Eight feet three Inches Bounded Westerly from the Corner of said Stones Land by Land now in the Possession of Maj^r Joshua Hicks Sixteen feet as the fence now stands to a Post which Post Stands three feet from the Western Corner of that part of the House that was the Meeting House Joyning to the New End of said House and from thence Southerly two feet four Inches which makes it five feet four Inches from the Western Corner aforesaid and from thence Westerly by said Hikes Land Twenty four feet Ten Inches which Ends five feet four Inches from the Norwest Corner of said House and from thence Northerly by the Street Thirty five feet Six Inches to the first mentioned Bound," valued at seventy pounds, Nov. 17, 1750.—*Registry of Deeds, book 124, leaf 222.*

William Browne died, and his estate descended to his son William Burnet Browne. See Probate Records.

William Burnet Browne of Salem, esquire, for fifty-four pounds, eighteen shillings, and eight pence, conveyed to James Ford of Salem, schoolmaster, "A Small piece of Land with an old Dwelling House thereon in said Salem the same Land butting Northerly on the Main-street then Easterly by Land heretofore of Samuel Stone deceased now of John Bullock Jun^r as the fence there stands then Southerly on Land heretofore of said Stone now of said Bullock as the Fence there Stands & thence in two Courfes by said Fords Land to the street aforesaid," July 13, 1767.—*Registry of Deeds, book 121, leaf 197.*

James Ford of Salem, schoolmaster, mortgaged to Benjamin Pickman, jr., of Salem, gentleman, "my Mansion House & the House now Occupied by Richard Meberry with the Land under them & thereto adjoining in Said Salem butting Northerly by the Main Street then Easterly then Southerly & Easterly again by Land of John Bullock jun^r heretofore Samuel Stone's & Southerly on land of the Heirs of Cock¹ Reeves, dec^d or one of them & Westerly by Lands of Felt Reeves & others to the Street aforesaid," July 13, 1767; discharged on margin Oct. 7, 1789.—*Registry of Deeds, book 121, leaf 196.*¹

Will of James Ford of Salem, schoolmaster, dated Nov. 9, 1775; proved July 11, 1781, gave his estate to his wife Mary Ford.—*Probate Files.*

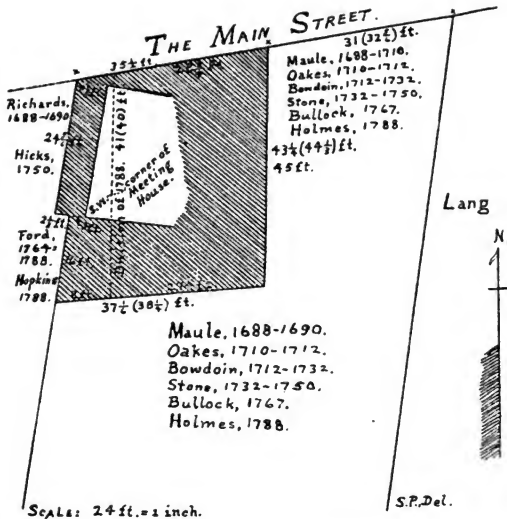
Will of Mary Ford of Salem, widow, dated Nov. 1, 1787; proved Nov. 9, 1787. Samuel Blyth of Salem, painter, appointed administrator.—*Probate Files.*

Samuel Blyth of Salem, painter, as administrator of the estate of Mary Ford of Salem, deceased, conveyed to Robert Wallis of Salem, cabinet maker, a lot of land with the buildings thereon in said Salem, bounded northerly by the main street, twenty-eight feet and nine inches, easterly by house and land of Thomas Holmes forty-four feet and four inches, southerly by house and land of said Thomas Holmes twenty-seven feet and six inches, and westerly by land late of James Ford, deceased, forty-one feet, Aug. 23, 1788.—*Registry of Deeds, book 147, leaf 275.*

Samuel Blyth of Salem, painter, as administrator of the estate of Mary Ford of Salem, deceased, conveyed to Rev. Daniel Hopkins of Salem a lot of land in Salem, with the buildings thereon, bounded northerly by the main street seventy-one feet and six inches, easterly by land I, as said administrator, conveyed to Richard Downing² Aug. 23, 1788, forty feet, southerly eight

¹ James Ford had bought the western part of this lot of John Ives and others Jan. 19, 1764 (*Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 258*), and he immediately erected thereon what was afterwards the house of Rev. Daniel Hopkins. That house is "my mansion house;" and the other is the meeting house and its additions. Between 1764 and 1787, and possibly as early as 1753, the meeting-house part of this tenement house was separated from the new part, and removed.— S. P.

² A mistake for Robert Wallis.— S. P.



LOCATION OF QUAKER MEETING-HOUSE

feet and then easterly four hundred and nineteen feet, both courses by land of Holmes, southerly. by land of Bartholomew Putnam ninety-nine feet and five inches, westerly by land of Stephen Osborn ninety-seven feet and ten inches, northerly twenty-seven feet and six inches and westerly three hundred and fourteen feet, both courses by land of Felt and others, and westerly by land of Felt eight feet, Sept. 16, 1788.—*Registry of Deeds, book 147, leaf 283.*

Robert Wallis of Salem, cabinet maker, for fifty pounds, conveyed to Nathaniel Batchelder of Salem, cordwainer, land and buildings¹ in Salem, described in deed of Samuel Blyth, adm'r, to Robert Wallis, recorded, book 147, leaf 275 (see page 273), bounded westerly by land of Rev. Daniel Hopkins, July 9, 1789.—*Registry of Deeds, book 148, leaf 238.*

Nathaniel Batchelder of Salem, cordwainer, for eighteen hundred and seventy-five dollars, conveyed to John Jenks of Salem, merchant, dwelling house and a certain lot of land described in deed of Wallis to me, recorded, book 148, leaf 238, June 24, 1805.—*Registry of Deeds, book 176, leaf 197.*

HISTORY OF TOMPKINS' INN.

At a meeting of the proprietors of land lying in common in Salem held at the Town house Feb. 2, 1718-9: "Voted that there be Given and is Granted unto Benjamin Parnall Six Poles of Land on and about the place where he hath dug a Seller by the Side of the Hill near mr. Prescots meeting house to be Laid out by the Grand Commitee."—*Salem Commoners Records, 1713-1739, page 45.*

Nathaniel Tompkins married Mary Pasco July 8, 1703.—*Salem Town Records.*

William Porter of Salem, yeoman, for thirty-six pounds, conveyed to Nathaniel Tompkins of Salem, yeoman, "A Certain House with Six Pole of Ground

¹ Mr. Batchelder probably built the house now standing on the site.— *S. P.*

Scituate in the Towne of Salem near The Meeting Houfe in the Midle Precinct," May 1, 1728. — *Registry of Deeds, book 60, leaf 17.*

Nathaniel Tompkins approved of as an innholder at his house by the meeting house in the middle precinct June 5, 1727. — *Salem Town Records, page 32.* Same, 1728 (location not given).

Nathaniel Tompkins of Salem licensed as an innholder July 11, 1727. — *Records of Court of General Sessions, 1726-1744, page 42.*

Nathaniel Tompkins of Salem, innholder, for forty-five pounds, conveyed to Benjamin Parnel of Salem, fisherman, "a Certain Dwelling house and about Six pole of land Scituate in Salem afores^d Near the Midle precinct Meeting house heretofore Granted to Benjamin Parnel Father of the before Named Benj^a Parnel," Oct. 30, 1731. Wife Mary consented. — *Registry of Deeds, book 60, leaf 262.*

Nathaniel Tompkins was called "innholder" in 1729 and 1730.

Will of Nathaniel Tompkins of Salem, yeoman, dated July 15, 1732, was proved Aug. 14, 1732. It was written by Rev. Benjamin Prescott, who lived near the Tompkins'. He devised to his wife Mary part of his real estate, and the rest to his sisters Rebecca Masey, Mary Flagg and Deborah Flagg, and to the children of his sister Eliz: Reed (Rich?). — *Probate Records and Files, Case No. 27, 803.*

Mary Tompkins was approved as an innholder July 2, 1733. — *Salem Town Records, page 180.*

Benjamin Parnel of Salem, fisherman, for sixty-five pounds, conveyed to John Trask of Salem, yeoman, "All that My Dwelling house with y^e land thereto belonging being About Six poles more or lefs Scituate in Salem afores^d Near the Middle precinct Meeting house being that peice or parcell of land which was heretofore Granted by the Prop^s to my father Benj^a Parnell, Dec^d," Dec.

11, 1733. Wife Annis released dower.— *Registry of Deeds, book 62, leaf 151.*

Ebenezer Goodale approved as an innholder in the house of Mary Tompkins, and in her room, July 5, 1736. — *Salem Town Records, page 229.*

John Trask of Salem, husbandman, for one hundred pounds, conveyed to Ebenezer Goodale of Salem, innholder, "All That my Dwelling House with y^e Land Thereto belonging being about Six poles more or Less Scituate in Salem afores^d near y^e Middle Precinct Meeting House which House and Land I p^rchased of Benjamin Parnall of Salem aforesaid." March 15, 1736/7.— *Registry of Deeds, book 74, leaf 29.*

John Massy approved of as an innholder at Tompkins', by the selectmen, July 3, 1738. — *Salem Town Records, page 256.*

Ebenezer Goodell of Salem, husbandman, for one hundred pounds, conveyed to Timothy Upton of Salem, cordwainer, "A Dwelling House Barn & Six poles of Land in Salem afores^d near the Middle Precinct Meeting house Originally granted to Benjⁿ Parnel as Record appears." Aug. 21, 1740. — *Registry of Deeds, book 80, leaf 105.*

Ebenezer Goodell approved of for an innholder in the house late Tompkins, by the selectmen, Aug. 1, 1743. Same, July 1, 1745. — *Salem Town Records.*

Widow Ruth Upton was appointed administratrix of the estate of her deceased husband, Timothy Upton of Danvers, Nov. 7, 1758. In his inventory is appraised "One Small House & Six pole of Land £13. 6. 8." — *Probate Records and Files, Case No. 28,504.*

Nathan Upton of Danvers, yeoman, for one hundred and seventy-five pounds, conveyed to Solomon Wyman of Danvers, laborer, "a certain dwelling house with the land thereto belonging being late the Estate of my father M^r Timothy Upton dec^d now occupied by m^r Isaac Reed containing six poles more or less situate in Danvers

aforesaid near the south parish meeting house," Aug. 3, 1779.—*Registry of Deeds, book 139, leaf 3.*

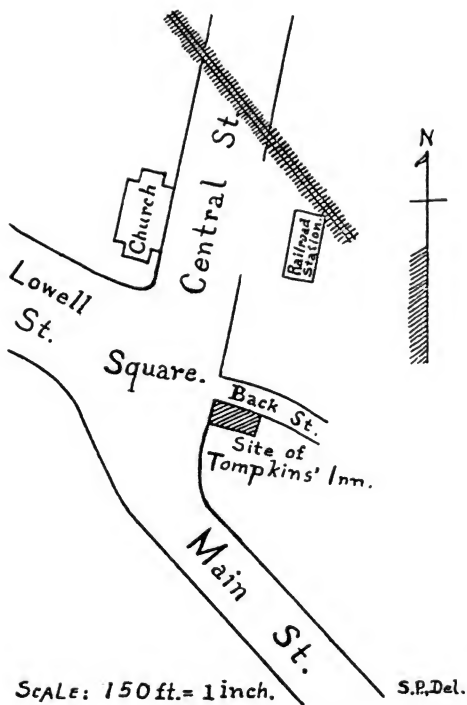
Solomon Wyman of Danvers, yeoman, for sixty pounds, conveyed to Benjamin Jacobs of Danvers, "a Certain dwelling house with the Land thereunto belonging Situate in Danvers aforesaid Containing Six Poles of land more or less it being the house that I Bought of Mr Nathan Upton near the South Parish meeting house," Sept. 10, 1783.—*Registry of Deeds, book 142, leaf 108.*

Zacheriah King of Danvers, yeoman, for one hundred dollars, conveyed to Benjamin Jacobs of Henniker, N. H., gentleman, by quitclaim deed, "one piece of land in said Danvers, containing six poles more or less with a building thereon, bounded southerly and easterly on land occupied by Daniel Reed, northerly and westerly on the highway being the same house and land the said Benjamin bought of Solomon Wyman," and other land, Sept. 12, 1800. — *Registry of Deeds, book 167, leaf 62.*

Benjamin Jacobs of Rowley, gentleman, for three hundred dollars, conveyed to Benjamin Jacobs of Danvers, mariner, "a certain dwelling house with the land under and adjoining the same, containing about ten poles, more or less, situate in Danvers aforesaid, at present occupied by Solomon Wyman and bounded westerly & Northerly on the highway, Easterly and Southerly on land occupied by Daniel Reed," May 20, 1806. — *Registry of Deeds, book 177, leaf 268.*

Solomon Wyman, yeoman, and wife Eunice, of Danvers, for thirty-five dollars, quitclaimed to Benjamin Jacobs of Danvers, mariner, "a certain lot of land with a small dwelling house standing on the same situate near the south meeting house in Danvers, and is bounded westerly on the highway, northerly on another highway called the back way, easterly and southerly on land of Daniel Reed: containing four poles be the same more or less," Feb. 24, 1812.— *Registry of Deeds, book 195, leaf 194.*

Benjamin Jacobs of Danvers, mariner, for five hundred dollars, conveyed to Lewis Allen of Salem, cordwainer,



PART OF PEABODY SQUARE, SHOWING SITE OF TOMPKINS' INN.

"a certain piece of land situate and lying in Danvers aforesaid near the south meeting house bounded as follows, to wit, beginning at the southwest corner on land of Daniel Reed, thence running" northerly and bounded westerly on the street thirty-two feet, bounded northerly by highway leading to Wallis' mills, so called, one hundred and eighteen feet, easterly by land of Daniel Reed twenty feet, southerly twenty-four feet, southeasterly fourteen feet, and southerly eighty-one feet, all by land of Daniel Reed, Oct. 6, 1818. No buildings are mentioned.—*Registry of Deeds, book 219, leaf 38.*

DAVID NICHOLS' FARM.

The homestead was the property of Thorndike Proctor in 1753, and there was then a dwelling-house upon it.

"At a meeting of y^e Selectmen of Salem Jan^y 1st A D. 1753 all present save Cap^t Leach

"Agreed M^r Thorndike Proctor haue an order on y^e Treas^r for 26/8 for y^e use of his House at y^e entrance of y^e Horfe-pasture, while David Boyce Junⁿ wife had y^e Small-pox there & y^e damages the s^d Thorndike suffered by her being placed there."

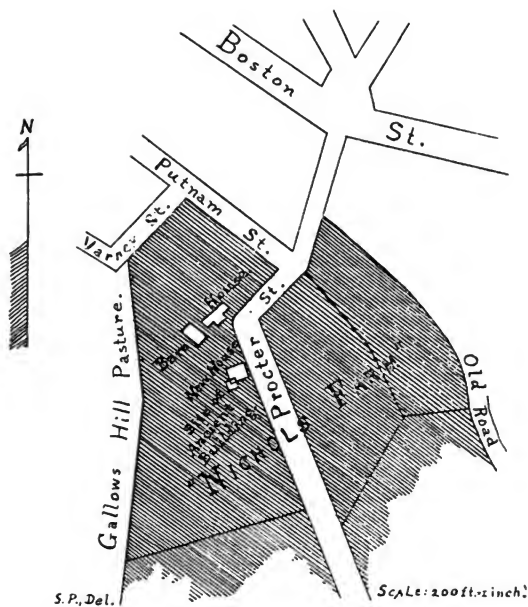
—*Salem Town Records.*

Thorndike Proctor lived on Boston street, at Fowler street.

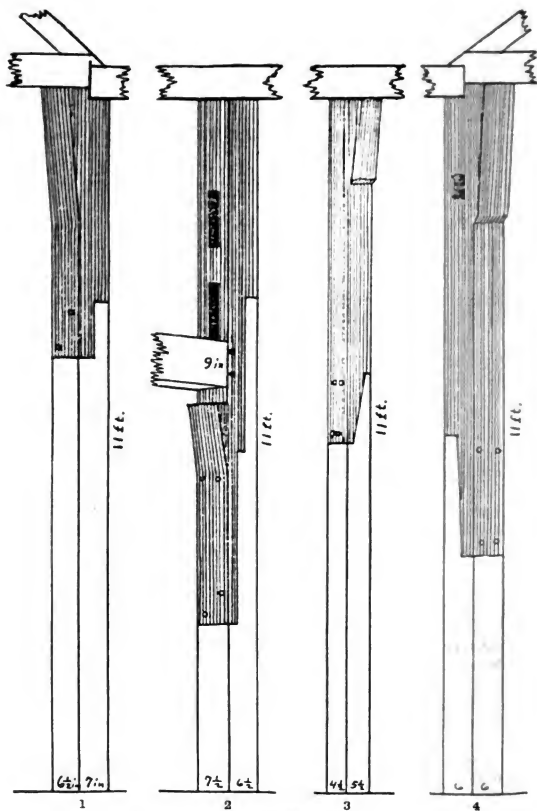
Samuel Pope of Salem, blacksmith, wife Sarah, for one hundred and thirty pounds, conveyed to Moses Steward of Salem, bricklayer, dwelling house and one acre of land butting every way on the great pasture, so called, as ye same is now fenced, Dec. 15, 1737.—*Registry of Deeds, book 74, leaf 85.*

Moses Steward conveyed the estate he purchased as above to Thorndike Proctor.

Thorndike Proctor died July —, 1774; and in the settlement of his estate this lot bought of Moses Steward was assigned to the widow as dower in 1775. The north end of the field lying westerly and adjoining to the

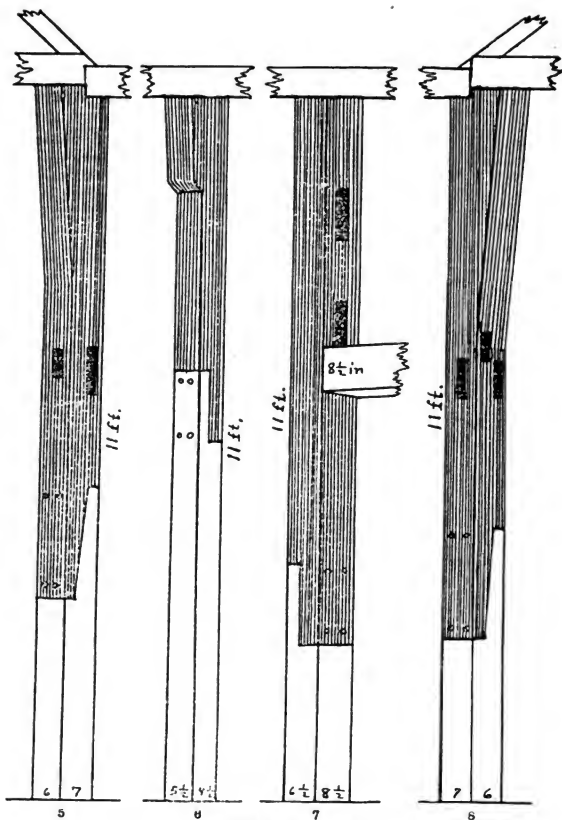


PLAN OF PROCTOR, OR, NICHOLS FARM.

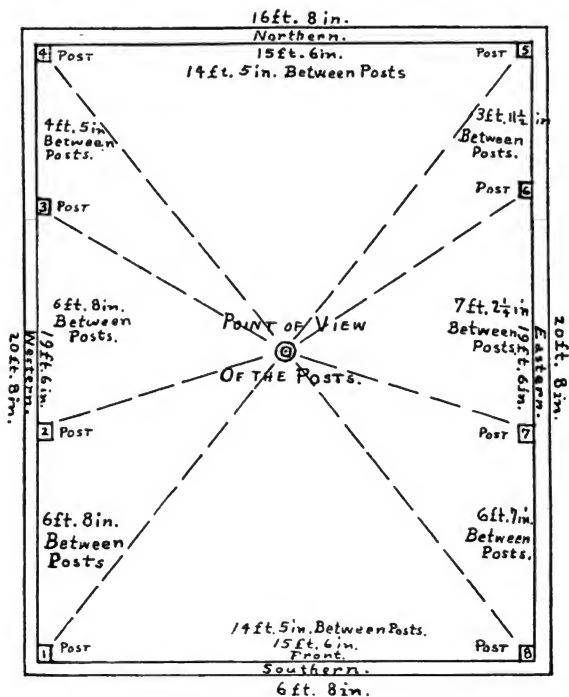


POSTS WESTERN SIDE

Scale: 1 in. = 2 ft.



POSTS: EASTERN SIDE.
Scale: 1 in. = 2 ft.



GROUND PLAN.
SCALE: 1 in. = 4 ft.



WESTERN PLATE.
Scale: 1 in. = 4 feet.



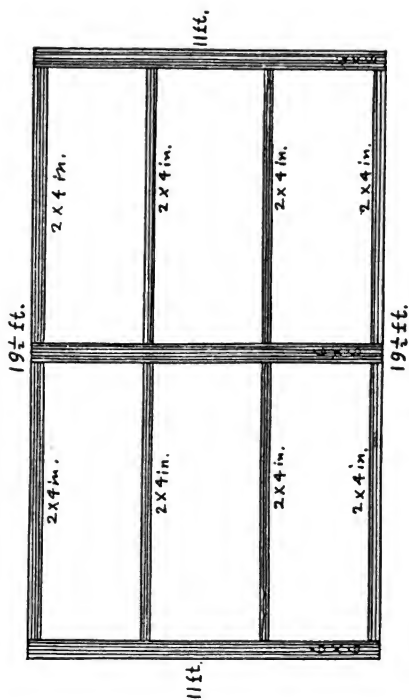
EASTERN PLATE.
Scale: 1 in. = 4 feet.



NORTHERN BEAM.
Scale: 1 in. = 4 feet.



SOUTHERN BEAM.
Scale: 1 in. = 4 feet.



ONE SECTION OF THE ROOF.
(The other Section is similar.)
Scale: 1 in. = 4 feet.

The mortises shown are those in sight, and not used now.

Braces, principally of oak, are nailed at the ends of the corner posts.

Before its removal the beam which supports the front of the gallery was tenoned into the upper mortises. It is now in ancient mortises.

THE TRADITIONS.

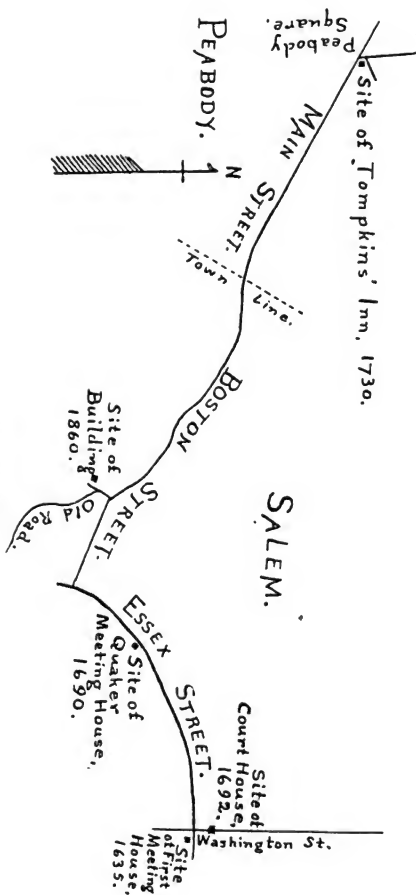
George W. Bruce, of Salem, states that his mother, whose maiden-name was Sarah Proctor, was born in this building March 12, 1787. Also, her brother Benjamin Proctor was born in it Oct. 24, 1775. These Proctors were children of Robert Proctor, who owned the Nichols farm from 1779 till 1785, and had probably lived there from the time of his marriage, about 1756, until his death, Feb. 1, 1802. Mr. Bruce says that the building had not been changed in appearance since 1833, when he first remembers having seen it. He never knew it to be used for any other purpose than a cow shed. He used to hear it called "The first meeting-house" when he was young (having been born about 1825). He is not sure that he ever heard that it was called "The old tavern house," or a part of "Tompkins inn". The Proctors were Friends or Quakers. Robert Proctor, jr., son of abovenamed Robert Proctor, lived in the southern end of the Nichols house, the other end, which is toward Boston street, having been built on later.

Caleb Pierce of Salem stated, before 1860, that Benjamin Proctor and his sister, both excellent people, who were told the same by the Pope family, stated "that they well remembered that the old tavern was always known as having been made from the first meeting house." Mr. Proctor said he had heard his father say so more than a hundred times. Said Benjamin Proctor and his sister were both born in the old tavern. "Joseph Pope," said Mr. Pierce, "the first of the name who came to New England, was in Salem in 1636; his name appears on the Salem records about that time. Joseph Pope, 2d, was baptized in 1650, married, in 1669; Bethusa Folger,

aunt to Doctor Franklin. Enos Pope, son of Joseph, 2d, was born in 1690; and lived near the Fowler house in Boston street. In 1718, he built the house now occupied by Mr. Wilkins, at the foot of Gallows hill, which was within a few rods of this old building, in which Enos, 2d, was born in 1721, and who died at the age of ninety-two. Enos, 3d, was born in 1769. My recollections of my grandfather, Enos, 2d, are very clear and distinct. Until a few months of his death he was very active, clear-minded and communicative. He was frequently inquired of by people with regard to previous events, and he was so exact in his account of dates and particulars that it was supposed he had kept a journal for many years, which was not the case. I remember his pointing out the course of the old road, which passed the tavern house and joined the present street directly opposite his house. With Enos Pope, 3d, I lived nearly forty years. He was full of information and anecdotes, and yet very cautious and careful in his statements. It was from him and his sisters, who lived in the family long after their father's death, that I got the account. It was never doubted by them. It should be remembered that the persons I have named were separated only by death, although very long-lived; father, son and grandson having lived together in the same house, and the connection that bound the past to the present was never broken for a day." The Popes were, also, Friends, or Quakers, having been of that persuasion since the persecution of the Friends in the seventeenth century.

Gilbert L. Streeter writes: "This old building was said to have been, and doubtless was, a part of an ancient tavern, known as Tompkins' Inn, and it was situated at the point nearest to Boston street, where the end of Proctor street now is. I published an account of this pleasant ramble at the time in a Salem newspaper; and in it I said: 'The reader may have seen this old tavern, back of Blubber Hollow, and may have mused upon its antiquity. Some, who prefer what is interesting to what is strictly matter of fact, like to consider it as the original

¹ This is taken from a notice of a ramble by Mr. Streeter in 1859. — S. P.



SITES OF PLACES.
 Scale: 1 inch = 80 rods.

first church,—or meeting house, as the godly and extra anti-papal fathers of the early days styled their houses of worship.' I thus happened to be the first person who called public attention to this ancient and interesting building, as it then was, and one of the few who saw it in its dirty and dilapidated condition. It had, for many years, been used as a barn, or cow-house, and you will notice that at that time I disclaimed belief in the legend that it had been 'the first meeting house.' Not long after, in 1859, the Essex Institute took the matter up."

SIZE OF MEETING-HOUSES.

In Dedham, in 1637, two years after the town was settled, when the population was much less than that of Salem, a meeting-house thirty-six feet long, twenty feet wide, and twelve feet stud, was built.

In New Haven, in 1637, when the town was much smaller than Salem, the meeting-house was fifty feet square.

Haverhill erected a meeting-house, in 1648, when the town was very small, having been settled in 1640, twenty-six by twenty feet.

In Lynn, in 1632, upon the very first settlement of the town, a meeting-house, said to have been twenty feet square, was built.

COST OF BUILDINGS.

In 1659, John Norman built a dwelling-house for the minister on Cape Ann Side for forty-five pounds. It was thirty-eight feet long, seventeen feet wide, and eleven feet stud. It had three chimneys,—two below and one above; a porch eight feet square; and eight windows,—four below and four above. — *Salem Quarterly Court Files, volume 5, leaf 51.*

Doctor Bentley, in his history of Salem, states that "an unfinished building of one story was used occasionally for public worship in Salem from 1629 to 1634. A proper house was then erected by Mr. Norton, who was to have one hundred pounds sterling for it."

POPULATION OF SALEM.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt, the Annalist of Salem, states that in 1629 there were "eleven houses in Salem, besides cottages." He, also, says that two hundred and twenty-six houses were built before 1638; and four hundred and fifty-nine, "mostly huts and cottages," before 1660.

The population of Salem at any period of those early times is not known; but it must have been several hundred in 1630, and subsequently more.

The church records show that, in 1637, there were one hundred and seventy-nine members.

Every person, as a rule, was compelled to attend the church service in the early days; and probably the church attendance was four times the number of members.

Reference to the address of President Rantoul to the Board of Directors of the Institute, dated Oct. 2, 1899, is made for further particulars as to the population of Salem in the early days.

THE SALEM PEOPLE.

As to size, style of architecture, finish, and cost, what would the settlers of Salem be presumed to do? They were men of means, character, religion, taste, and culture. More so, perhaps, than of any other settlement is the statement true.

This has always been the shire town of the county, and the meeting-house, which was substantially the only public building in the town until after 1675, was located on the most prominent of the public squares from 1634 to 1672.

In 1634, Doctor Bentley says, Salem began to flourish; and, it may be added, has flourished ever since.

MARINE NOTES.

FROM A NEWS BOOK KEPT IN SALEM, MASS., 1812-1815,
AT THE OFFICE OF THE ESSEX INSURANCE
COMPANY, NATHANIEL BOWDITCH,
PRESIDENT.

COPIED BY GEORGE L. PEABODY.

(Continued from Vol. XXXVIII, page 152.)

Monday, April 5 [1813]. Brig Leo, 29 days from France, has arrived at Portland. Ship Print, from Marblehead, has been captured & ordered for England. Market good. A Large Ship with a blue flag at the fore, bright sides & no head, standing for Boston, was seen at 10 A. M., 5 miles outside the light. Sch^r Stockholm at N. York, 7 days from Halifax. Sailed in Co. with the B. Frigates Shannon, Nymph & Tenedos, to cruize off Boston. Ship Samuel, with Consul Lee & 100 other passengers has arrived at N. York from Cadiz. The crew (of the Montesquieu from Canton) have landed at Lewistown from the Poitiers.

April 6. Sch^r Ohio, from Beverly for a Southern port, taken & burnt by the Atalanta. Frigate U. States & B^r Argus drop'd into E. River. Liverpool Packet in the Bay, off halfway rock.

April 7. Privateer Liverpool Packet in sight, having landed some prisoners in Marblehead last night.

April 8. Fast Day.

April 10. Arrived U. S. Ship Cheasapeake from a cruize of 115 days.

Monday, April 12 [1813]. Frigates Tenedos & Shannon 4 miles outside Baker's Island, standing S. E. The Tenedos & Shannon Frigates boarded a Ship in sight of Leg's Hill & permitted her to pass. Dec. 10th, Ship

Rambler of Salem, 17 days from Manilla for Salem, was spoken at North Island, by the Sally from Canton. 5 p. m. The Tenedos & Shannon in sight 2 or 3 leagues off, standing to the N. East.

April 13. Arr'd at Boston yesterday, Ship Marcellus, Ward, 26 days from Lisbon. Privateer Brig Alfred, Bessom, was spoken on the 5th Lat. 42° N. Long. 57° W. U. S. Brig Argus sailed from N. York on Thursday last, to cruize in the Sound.

April 15. A Ship from Lisbon for Portsmouth was cast away on Rye Beach on Tuesday night, the Capt. (Shapley) drowned.

The British Frigates were seen off Cape Ann yesterday afternoon, & again this morning 2 leagues distant.

Brig Diomedé was left at Manilla first of December.

Mr. Reed (M. C.) reports that the Frigates were distinctly seen from Marblehead this forenoon.

April 16. "The U. S. Ship Hornet is fitting for a passage across the Atlantic."

April 17. Arr'd at N. Bedford on Thursday, Ship Harmony, Browne, 105 days from Calcutta, bound to N. York. Chased by a Frigate on the day of her arrival. 11 a. m. Two large Ships, probably the Tenedos & Shannon, in sight from the Derby Wharf, steering about S. S. E. under short sail. 4 p. m. The 2 Frigates standing out from Boston light, about E. S. E.

Monday, April 19 [1813]. The Privateer Cossack, Upton, of this port is capt'd by the Sch^r Bream, together with her prize (Brig). Arr'd at St. John.

The Packet fitted out at New London for the purpose of taking the enemies tenders off that port, succeeded in capturing a fishing smack (English) having on board a son of Adm. Cockburn, a Lieut. & 11 men, they are all in snug quarters.  The President & Congress are ready for sea. The U. States is also said to be ready.

April 20. The Ship Calcutta of N. York is captured & carried into Guernsey — from Madras. The Brig below is the Favorite of Boston, 26 days from Lisbon. On Jeffreys Bank was boarded by La Hogue, 74 Guns, at Anchor. 5 License vessels outward bound had been cap'd by La Hogue, one of which was the Despatch of

Boston; another, a Wiscasset Ship & a Brig loaded with Naval Stores, part of the Crews of the above vessels have arr'd in the Brig. The plea for Capture was that the licenses were forged. The frigate Macedonian is completely refitted and ready for a cruize.

April 21. The Cossack was cap'd by the Young Emulous formerly the U. S. Brig Nautilus. The Thorn boarded the Favorite, South from Cape Ann. This afternoon arr'd at Marblehead Ship Sally Ann of Boston 36 days from Lisbon,—saw no Cruizers.

April 22. The President & Congress dropped down below the Castle.

Monday, April 26 [1813]. No Frigates in sight from Lords Hill at 11 o'clock.

April 27. A Cartel from Halifax. Arrived at Boston. Privateer Sch^r Growler sailed on a cruize.

April 30. Yesterday arriv'd at Boston Ship Ariadne, Williams, 27 days from Cadiz. From Cape Cod E. S. E. 10 leagues was boarded by the Tenedos, frigate Shannon in Co. The Frigates President & Congress were seen from the hills in the Great pastures steering easterly at 1 o'clock. Sailed from Boston Frigates President & Congress & the U. States on a cruize. At 4 p. m. shut in the Eastern Point steering N. E. The Privateer Alfred, Bessom, from Salem was spoken Lat. 44° Long. 33°. Out 20 days.

May 1. Privateer Alfred arr'd yesterday at Portsmouth having lost her guns & some of her spars in a gale. The Br. frigates Tenedos & Shannon were seen from Cape Ann on Thursday afternoon. "A Cartel 26 days from Liverpool has arrived at Newport with 270 passengers. The Capture of the Java was known in England. The great number of killed & wounded was attributed to the *great* number of her crew. The War was growing more unpopular daily." E. C. H. B.

Monday, May 3 [1813]. Arrived a Brig prize to the Montgomery. She was taken 20 days since Lat. 50° N. Long. 18° W. ballasted with Camwood & Rice. Accounts from Cape Ann say the Young Emulous has taken several Coasters & a Brig from Boston bound to the Eastw'd. Arrived Sloop Wasp (privateer), from a cruize, has taken

2 prizes one a recaptured American & one a Sch^o with lumber sent into Machias. The 1st Lieut. shot a man for mutiny. The mutineer was the same that was on board the Ship America.

May 4. Last evening arriv'd at Boston Brig Federal George, Field, 20 days from Corunna. On Sunday last was boarded by the Br. frigate Nymph. The boarding Officers informed, that the Tenedos & Shannon were inside of them. Left the Nymph on Sunday night 12 leagues N. N. E. from Cape Cod. Schooner Expedition, Capt. Weems, arriv'd off Cape May from France left March 26th, landed a passenger & took a pilot on board.

May 5. Ship Admittance, Sprague, of Duxbury was to leave London as a Cartel early in April for a Northern port. Sch^o Expedition from France, short passage, has arrived at Newport, having previously entered the Delaware; several times chased & escaped. For the protection of Baltimore several hulks have been sunk at the entrance of the Harbour. Militia newly organized & the Town in good state of defence.

Monday, May 10 [1813]. Arrived an English Brig prize to the Alexander privateer, loaded with Cotton, bound from the Brazil to Liverpool; was cap^d 24 days ago in Lat. 51° N. Long. 18° W. The Alexander had cap^d a few days before a valuable Brig.

May 12. U. S. Ship United States, Com. Decatur, & Argus Brig sailed on Sunday from N. York on a cruize. Two Ships below Boston beating up —one from Lisbon & one from Cadiz, left the 11th April. It was reported at Cadiz the Toulon fleet was out bound to the U. S. There was a Salem privateer cruising off Lisbon. Three Algerine Cruizers were off St. Vincent. There had been a very severe gale at Algeriras. A Phila. Ship went to pieces, & Brig Dolphin of Boston was driven up high and dry, also 20 English vessels went to pieces. Two Ships seen off from Leg's Hill supposed to be English Cruizers.

May 13. It is reported from Boston that the Fox privateer, of Portsmouth, has captured the Young Emulus (formerly the Nautilus) and has arrived in port. Two frigates and a Gun Brig standing towards Boston.

May 14. Frigates not in sight.

May 15. Ship Thomas, Penrose, from Canton for Philadelphia was captured off Barbadoes; had not heard of the War, 104 days out, valued at \$500,000.

Monday, May 17 [1813]. Brig Diomede from Manila & Montgomery from a cruize are both captured by the La Hogue, the former ordered to Halifax & the latter burnt.

May 18. The Shannon & Tenedos, Frigates, were off Cape Ann last eve with the Ship Napoleon & a Sch^r in Co. supposed to be the Fox, privateer, as one of the Frigates was seen within three miles of her on Sunday afternoon in chase. The Sch^r Good Intent from St. Salvador has arr'd at Newport & a Spanish Brig from Havanna with Molasses. A Swedish vessel from Gottenburgh last from Hull arrived at Boston this day, she has bro't home the crew of the Brig Prudent. Arrived the privateer boat Fame from a cruize having taken 3 prizes, 2 of which are recaptured, one arrived at Machias with wheat, brandy, wines, &c.

May 20. U. S. Brig Enterprize sailed from Savannah 1st inst. on a cruize. U. S. Macedonian & Argus returned to quarantine ground 16th, from the Hook. The priv^t Alexander, Crowninshield, has been chased on shore by the Rattler Sloop of War, near Kennebunk, had taken & manned out Seven prizes. Crew escaped. Was left in possession of the British. A Ship with 4800 Barrels Flour has arrived at Newport from the Cheasapeake. Flour sunk Two & half Dollars in Boston.

May 21. Sailed Sch^o Post Boy, Cook, master, for St. Domingo. The above Schooner returned at 6 p. m. Two Frigates in sight from Leg's Hill at 4 p. m. standing into the Bay, off S. S. E. Arrived at Boston the British Packet Mary Ann, prize to the Gov. Tompkins, who had taken out of her \$100,000 specie & her Mails.

Monday, May 24 [1813]. Yesterday sailed Ship Venus, Wilson, for W. Indies. Was boarded or bro't too, by a Frigate 2 miles outside Bakers Island & allowed to pass. Also sailed Sch^o Post Boy for W. Indies. This morning sailed Ship General Mina (Spanish) for Havanna.

May 25. Brig Brazillian, Hodgkinson, 36 days from Liverpool arr'd at New Port on Sunday. London papers

to the 20th Liverpool to the 22nd rec^d. Lt. Chadds and the surviving officers & seamen of the late frigate *Java* arr'd at Portsmouth April 18th from St. Salvador. Ship *Daley* of Boston from Canton taken by the *Nisus* frigate & arr'd at St. Helena. Brig *Essex*, Wyer, from Boston for Bordeaux, captured & arrived at Plymouth, Eng. At Liverpool, April 22nd Brig *Hollon* of Phila. A cartel Brig *Alexander*, Picket, to sail in 10 days for Boston. Ship *Pocahontas*, Sherburne, to sail in 3 days for Boston. Brig *Pilgrim*, Baker, from N. Orleans for Lisbon is taken by the *La Hogue* 74, & ordered to Halifax. Frigate *President* was spoke May 10th Lat. 38° 30' Long. 59° 40' having parted from the Congress in a Squall. The Br. privateer John Sherbrooke is cruising in Boston Bay. The Privateer Ship *America*, Kehew, was left May 5th Lat. 45° Long. 40° W. The *Pilgrim* left at New Orleans, Ship M^t *Vernon*, of Salem, loading. In sight of the *Balize* was boarded from British Sloop of War *Herald*, cruising for the *Syren*, 2 days after was boarded from the U. S. Brig *Syren*, L^t Bainbridge, cruising for the *Herald*.

May 27. A Schooner with a cargo of Rye from New York has arrived at Barnstable own^d by Butler Fogerty Esq. The Post Boy was captured after a hard chase by the *Shannon*, her sails were shot into ribbons, no one injured on board. The capture of the *Montgomery* wants confirmation. The crew of the *Pilgrim* have returned.

May 28. Privateer Sch^e *Enterprise* returning from a cruise was captured on Soundings by the *Curlew* after a hard chase. 5 P. M. arrived a fleet of Coasters from the Eastward.

May 29. Arrived at Portland, Privateer Brig *Grand Turk* from a cruise having taken 4 prizes (3 valuable).

Monday, 31 [1813]. Yesterday arr'd Ship *William*, prize to the *Grand Turk* privateer, loaded with crates & coal.

June 1. An English Frigate off standing to the North^d at 11 A. M. At 3 P. M. The *Cheaspeake* in chase of the above Frigate about 4 miles eastward of Boston Light.

June 2. Frigates not in sight this morning, nothing certain of the battle fought yesterday.

June 3. Acc^{ts} this day from different quarters confirm

the melancholy intelligence of the capture of the Cheaspeake.

June 4. Acc'ts this day mention an attack upon Sacketts Harbour by the English, who were repulsed with loss. The Brig *Ida* from France has arrived at Portland in 29 days. Scho^r with Fish prize to the G. Turk has arrived at Portland.

June 5. Com. Decatur's Squadron are making preparations to give the English a warm reception.

Monday, June 7 [1813]. Arrived a Coasting Sch^r from Saco. Yesterday at noon passed 2 Frigates about 2 leagues E. S. E. from Cape Ann.

June 11. Arrived at Boston Cartel from Halifax. Left 4th June. Cheaspeake had not arrived. The Cartel 'tis said has 140 prisoners, was boarded from a Gun Brig, a Ship of the Line & Frigate in Co. who informed them the night previous they had spoken the Shannon who had taken the Cheaspeake. Gave *no* particulars of the action. The Paragon, prize to the G. Turk, has been recaptured & arrived at Halifax. The Enterprize privateer had arrived at Halifax prize to the Nymph. The Brig Pilgrim had arrived 3 or 4 days before & was not libelled. Capt. Baker expected to be cleared. A Boat was expected to sail in 2 or 3 days from Halifax with several prisoners. A very rich prize to the America had been recaptured by the English & sent into H. value £80,000.

June 12. Capt. Sinclair & others arr'd in a boat from Halifax. Sailed June 5th. The Cheaspeake had not arr'd. 2 Frigates were going in when Capt. S. came out. Capt. S. heard a heavy firing in Halifax after he sailed (no doubt a salute).

Monday, June 14 [1813]. Acc^{ts} rec^d pr. eastern mail corroborate the Capture of the Liverpool packet by the Thomas, privateer of Portsmouth. She was taken by boarding. The Tho^r lost 3 men. By the above capture we have rec^d further particulars of the battle between the Cheaspeake & Shannon, that the Lieut. of the Shannon was killed & the Captain wounded, and that the loss of the Cheaspeake was attributed to her boarding the Shannon, & that the Explosion was occasioned by her

magazine taking fire on the gun deck. That part of the quarter deck was blown up & the loss on board the Cheaspeake was dreadful. A passenger in the Stage from Portsmouth says he was on board the Liverpool Packet & heard nothing of the above account about the Cheaspeake. Nothing was known at Portsmouth respecting the Cheaspeake as stated in the hand Bill. The U. S. Brig Enterprize has arr'd at Portsmouth.

June 16. A Coaster arr'd to day informs that they were boarded yesterday by the Tenedos and informed them that the battle between the Cheaspeake & Shannon lasted between 11 & 12 minutes that the Cheaspeake had 128 men killed & wounded & the Shannon between 70 & 80, that all the Officers were killed on the quarter deck & Capt Lawrence died in 4 hours after the action. Schooner Bird, Peabody, from Wilmington for Salem has arrived at the Vineyard. A Captⁿ of one of the Coasters arrived ("of the most pure & correct principles") assures Major Wallis he with his crew *was* on board the Tenedos Four hours. The Captain of which vessel assured him *he* had no particulars of the capture of the Cheaspeake.

June 18. Cheaspeake—The Shannon rec^d several wind & water shots, one thro' her upper (does not mention). In luffing round the Shannon the Cheaspeake quarter caught in the Shannons anchor & the Shannon raked her 3 times & boarded. The marines in the Cheaspeake top would not surrender & were picked off. Lawrence rec^d a severe wound in the first of the action, & after a mortal one, died next morning. All the Cheaspeake officers were killed but Ludlow who rec^d 3 shots in different parts of his body. Brooke's life is despaired of, his 1st Lieut. mistaking the colours in hoisting the English was shot dead by mistake. Shannon much disabled going to Halifax with a crow bar sticking in her sides. Many shot thro' her copper. 80 men killed besides Wounded. Cheaspeake 140 ditto. The above account is from E. C. Books & is fully credited.

Monday, June 21 [1813] .Arrived Br. Brig Margaret, from Cadiz, bound to Newfoundland with 1000 hhd. Salt, sent in by the privateer America. Captured the 28th

May. Long. 29° W. Lat. 49° 40' N. is 220 Tons, coppered to the bends. The America fell in with a convoy for Newfoundland but did not succeed in capturing any of them.

Monday, June 28 [1813]. Privateer Growler from Salem on a cruize is said to be captured, also a Sloop owned by Major Wallis & retaken by the Fame privateer. A Nova Scotia paper rec^d in Town contains an account of the capture of the Wasp by the Bream, &c.

June 29. The British had been repulsed attempting to land on Craney Island.

July 6. The Brig prize to the America has arr^d, she is from Liverpool 60 days passage, no news, has a great many letters. Sailed the Polly, privateer, Capt. Evans, on a cruize.

July 15. The Thorn was off Marblehead yesterday. The La Hogue & a frigate off Cape Ann.

July 16. Naval Battle. Schooner Antonio Arrived at Boston this morning from Fayal, 32 days. June 28th Lat. 41° Long. 51° Saw Two Frigates engaged 150 minutes; they at first engaged 40 minutes & after an interval of 20 minutes the battle was renewed. Supposed them to be British & American. The Antonio was steering from them. Arrived Brig Joseph of Boston, 40 days from London. Reports a second battle which was immediately followed by an Armistice. The above Brig was captured by the Fame privateer off Half Way rock.

Monday, July 19 [1813]. Sailed the privateer boat Gallipot on a cruize. Arrived a prize to the Fame, said to be a Boston pilot boat stolen, with a man & woman on board.

July 21. Arrived Ship Liverpool Packet, from Cadiz, last from Halifax, sent in by the Gallipot Privateer. The Privateer America has arr^d at Bath from a cruize. 2 of the Lieuts. have ar^d in town. The America has cap^d 2 vessels loaded with Fish & sent them to France, also a Phil^l Ship with Salt & Crates from Liverpool. The Sch^r Saucy Jack has ar^d at Bath, 12 days from Hayti.

Monday, July 26 [1813]. By a passenger in the Cartel Barque Agnes from Halifax we are informed that the case of the Pilgrim had not been decided.

Monday, August 2. Ship Venus & Brig Saragossa have both arrived at St. Jago from Salem. A Brig with a full cargo of Salt & Fruit arrived at Nantasket this day prize to the Castigator & Fame. A Brig of War in the Bay.

Aug. 18. Arr'd Brig Henry, Capt. G. Crowninshield, Jr., 5 days from Halifax with the bodies of Capt. Lawrence & Lieut. Ludlow, late of the Cheasapeake Frigate. The Henry sailed the 7th inst. & has performed the voyage in 11 days. The Priv. Growler of this port has been cap'd & had arr'd. All the prizes cap'd by the Priv^s Polly & Fox had been recap'd & had arr'd.

Aug. 19. Arr'd a boat with corn from the Southward.

Monday, Aug. 22 [1813]. This day Capt. James Lawrence & Lieut. Ludlow were buried with Military & Masonic honors.

Aug. 24. At 11 o'clock A. M. a large Ship in the offing after laying too a short time took in fore & mizen Top G. Sails, hoisted a dark flag forehead & stood towards Cape Ann.

Aug. 26. A Schooner 6 days from Halifax arrived in Boston this day. A Sloop owned by Dr. Stearns (ransomed from the enemy) arrived at Boston this day. Cargo, Fish & Lumber.

Sept. 2. By information from Com. Decatur to Com. Bainbridge it appears that Com. Oliver commander in the Sound has refused permission for the Cartel Brig Henry, with the remains of Lawrence & Ludlow, to proceed through that passage to New York.

Sept. 3. The Sch^r Sabine of Balt^o has arr'd at Cape Ann, in 36 days from France. The Argus had Arr'd out with Mr. Crawford, on her passage sunk an English privateer. Com. Rodgers was off Bergen & the *channel fleet* had sailed in pursuit of him. The Sch^r Brutus had arr'd out. A frigate was seen off this morning to board a large Ship supposed the Roxana from Halifax. The above Ship & Frigate were seen standing to the eastward in Co.

Sept. 4. Sailed from Cape Ann this morning Sch^o Sabine for Boston— at 12 o'clock an arrived Brig was seen from the marshes off Nahant. The Sabine arr'd safe at Boston.

Monday, Sept. 6 [1813]. The Frigate Essex arr'd at Valparaiso on 6th March. A passenger in the Sabine reports that the Argus had 24 days passage from New York to France & that she sailed on a cruize 3 days after her arrival.

Sept. 7. An express passed through Town this morning for Com. Bainbridge at Charlestown with information that the U. S. Brig Enterprize, Capt. Borroughs, captured yesterday morn'g, after an action of 45 minutes, the British Gun Brig Boxer, Capt. Bligh. The Captains of both vessels were killed. The funerals to be on the morrow at Portland at which both vessels had arrived. By the stage from Boston we learn that the Boxer had 45 killed & wounded, the Enterprise 2 killed & 7 wounded; Congress frigate has taken the Magician frigate. A pilot from a vessel in quarantine had spoken the above frigates off Long Island. The Colibri gun brig has got ashore on Charleston bar & gone to pieces. (The Moselle is the brig.)

The Boxer mounted 16-18 p^d Carronades, 330 tons, & 2 long nines.

The Enterprise, 14-18 p^d Carronades, Long 9', & is 163 tons.

Sept. 17th. Arrived Privateer Sch. Frolic from a cruize, last from Portsmouth.

Sept. 24. Last night arr'd a small Sch^r prize to the Privateer Terrible, released & sailed for Boston. The Brig Dispatch of Boston has been condemn'd to the Priv. Castigator in consequence of the owner (Mr. Coolidge) having taken her from the crew of the Privateer. Ship Hope arr'd at Boston from Halifax 5 days. Admiral Warren had arr'd with 14 sail.—The Shannon was going in with a Portuguese Ship,—16 seamen had been put in the black hole for 8 Seamen confined here. 3000 bbls Flour arr'd & selling for \$16. 65 Am^r seaman had been sent to England, among them Capt. Lindsay & son.

Sept. 27 [1813.] Cartel Hoffnung has arr'd at N. Bedford, 402 prisoners, on Friday was boarded by the frigate President.

Sept. 28. Frigate President has arr'd about 11 miles below Providence — particulars of the brilliant victory of Com^o Perry over the English on the Lakes.

Sept. 30. Violent Storm. Wind N. E. Several vessels a shore (Coasters).

Oct. 2. A Swedish ship arr^d at Boston 72 days from Gott'g, yesterday at 5 p. m. spoke a Swedish Ship about 8 miles east of Cape Ann hailed from St. Jago, bound to Portland, the ship was about 200 tons varnished sides, answering the description of the Venus. Lat. 57° Long. 17° was boarded by a 64 frigate & informed they had chased the President, 36 hours.

Wednesday 6th Oct. The U. S. Brig Argus, Capt Allen, is taken & carried into Falmouth by the Pelican Sloop of War, of 18 guns, after an action of 45 min. carried by boarding. This account is taken from a Halifax Paper of the 22^d Sept. copied into it from an English Paper of the 14th Aug. & stated she was taken on the 11th Aug. The Argus is said to have been Captured off Lunda Island (entrance of *Bristol Channel*) 14th August & was off Plymouth 17th bound up Channel.

Oct. 7. Brig Christiana was towed into Bermuda dismasted.

Oct. 8. The Driver of the Cape Ann Stage reports that Fort Malden has surrendered to the Amer. Forces, it was generally believed in Boston as it was received from different quarters.

Monday, Oct. 11 [1813]. Arr'd yesterday a Spanish Brig with molasses bound to Boston. Capt. Jos. Perkins has been appointed Branch Pilot for the port of Salem.

Oct. 13. The boat—, Capt. J. Peabody, has arr'd at George Town (S. C.) from Salem.

Oct. 21. By a person who left Halifax 15 days since we learn that the Greek Ship Jerusalem had been cleared & that it was expected the Spanish Brig Santiago from Salem would also be cleared.

Oct. 27. At length we have rec^d accounts of the U. S. Frigate Essex, Capt. Porter. She anchored at Lima, South Sea, 5th April, having in Charge Two South Seamen & one or two other prizes & shortly after went on a cruise off the Gallapagos Isl'ds. On the 20th April Cap^d Ship Georgianna & two other ships. On the 28th May captured Three other Ships. Capt. Porter fitted out the Georgianna as a cruiser to accompany the Essex. The

Essex was said to have on board 4 or 5 Millions of Dollars in Specie.—Jamaica Royal Gazette.

Oct. 28. Sailed Brig Speed, Haraden, for South America & returned again.

Oct. 29. At 4 P. M. a Frigate & Gun Brig brought & boarded a Ship under Swedish Colours, bound into Boston, & all stood to the Eastward.

Nov. 3. Sailed private armed Ship Alfred on a cruise with a fine breeze from South W. (returned)

Monday, Nov. 8 [1813]. A London paper of August 22^d states that the Leonidas of 38, Capt. Seymour, fell in with the Argus & Pelican during the engagement which no doubt terminated the conflict in favor of the Pelican.

Nov. 11. Greek Ship Jerusalem 8 days from Halifax arr'd at Marblehead last evening bound to Boston,—2 days since saw a frigate, was not boarded.

Nov. 12. Last night sailed Cpts Ropes & Upton & this morning Capⁿ Peele, Hodgdon & Shillaber, all for the Southward. Sailed from Boston this day Schooner Sabine, Barnes, for Havanna.

Wednesday, Dec. 8 [1813]. Exch. Coffee house, Boston, Dec 7, 9 o'clock eve. To the Ed. of Salem Gazette. I hasten to inform you of the arrⁿ late this eve of the Russian Ship Catharine 68 days from Archangel—bring the highly important intelligence that our Ministers had been received at St Petersburg by a British Minister from England, & that it was expected that Peace would immediately take place—This is all I can obtain tonight. I have just seen the Captain. We are all in confusion here,— & those that have dealt largely in speculations are crazy, crazy!!! The Post Master has been kind enough to open the mail for this—I have sent to New York.

Yours,

Sign^d Sam Topliff

Hoax.

Dec. 9. Arrived at Newport on Tuesday, Ships Lima & President from the Coast of Chili with Oil, sailed in September, news from the Essex a few days later—brought Letters from Capt. Porter & Lieut. Downes Boat—, Capt. Ropes from Salem arrived at Georgetown (S. C.), 16 days passage.

Dec. 10. Presidents Message received no news.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 [1813]. By a passenger in the eastern stage we learn that the Congress Frigate arrived at Portsmouth yesterday having captured 4 merchantmen during her cruise. Returned in the afternoon from a short cruise.—Privateer Sch^r Gen. Stark in a sinking condition.

Dec. 16. Capt. Upton has arr^d at Wilmington, N. C. from hence 16 days passage.

Dec. 22. We learn from Portsmouth that from 3 to 400 houses were burnt this last eve, & a great am't of property destroyed.

Monday, Jan. 3 [1814]. Majestic, Tenedos, Junon & Wasp were seen on Friday last from Sandwich under easy sail.

Feb. 11. Arrived at Squam a Schooner prize to the Frolic privateer with Sugar & Coffee.

Feb. 12. A Brig with a White flag in the fore top mast shrouds is beating up under short Sail. A Gentleman in Salem reports that he has seen a Letter from Mr. Williams of Dec. 27th which states that preliminaries of Peace had been signed on the Continent.

Monday, Feb. 14 [1814]. A Brig off on Saturday has arrived at Cape Ann prize to the Fox. The Companys Ship Hunter, Capt. Messervey, 27 days from Salem has arrived at Havanna having been chased by 2 privateers & escaped by superior sailing.

Feb. 15. A Schooner (supposed a British privateer) is in sight off Marblehead. Sailed Privateer Sch^r Fox for Portsmouth.

Feb. 17. Arr'd at Boston, Russian Brig, 126 days from Archangel, with a cargo to John Andrew of Salem. Was boarded by the Pres^r Frigate Jan^y 21. Mr. Cunningham & Mr. Simmons of Beverly were passengers in the Russ. Brig. Sailed at 5 p. m. U. S. Brig Siren & private armed Ship Grand Turk on a cruise.

Feb. 18. Sailed from Boston Sloop of War Frolic. Capt. Bainbridge on a Cruise. The Adams Corvette went to sea in the night from the Cheaspeake & struck upon the middle ground. English Squadron in sight.

Feb. 23. Brig Lion was captured 28 days out by the

Sloop of War Forrester & Mars privateer, between the Hole in the Wall & Berry Islands. Capt. Orne was paroled immediately on his arrival at Nassau & had taken passage in a Swedish vessel for the Havanna.

Feb^r 26. Sloop Hunter, Messervey, is coming in. A Boat with an Ensign at the peak is coming, said to be the Hare. The Collector from Cape Ann says the above boat is an English privateer.

Monday, Feb. 28 [1814]. A Schooner with a full cargo of oranges from Lisbon for London has arrived at N. Bedford prize to the Mary A. Privateer.

March 1. A Schooner prize to the Alfred has arrived at Marblehead; cargo, Fish & Oil. The Alfred had made but few captures & cruize said to be nearly up. Arrived this morning Gun Boat —, & Sloop in C^o supposed a smuggler.

March 3. Many Counterfeiters taken up in Boston.

March 4. English prisoners arrived in town to embark for Halifax.

Monday, March 7 [1814]. Sloop of War Frolic. Capt. Bainbridge, was left on the 9th Feb^r 50 leagues S. E. of Cape Ann. A Frigate in chase to leeward, the Frolic leaving her fast.

March 8. Arrived Privateer Schooner Diomedé, J. Crowninshield, after a cruize of 27 days having taken 6 Sail West Indiamen. Mr. Blackler a passenger in a Swedish Sch^r from Antiqua, reports the Alfred, priv^r of Salem, was left on the 23rd Feby, chased by a Frigate & Gun Brig, one on each quarter going before the wind. Mr. B. is very sure it was the Alfred having spoken her a few days previous. The Privateer Frolic is reported to have been cap^d in the W. Indies. Two French Frigates have taken an English 64 gun Ship armed, bound to Bermuda with provisions, — burnt.

March 11. Brig Juno, prize to the Grand Turk, loaded with Fish & Oil has arrived in France. Sailed Cartel Bostock for Halifax. Privateer Mars of New York is lost on Long Island.

Monday, March 14 [1814]. Privateer Polly sailed from New Bedford on Saturday last on a cruize. Brig Lion sold at Nassau for 4700 Dolls. Brig Levant sold for

10.500 Dolls. A Prize to the Diomedé has arr'd at Bristol.

March 15. Town meeting. First part *Squally* with plenty of *street yarn*; *people employed* in choosing their *officers*. At 10 A. M. *pipéd* all hands at the Columbian & served the *grog*; got up the rolling tackle & sent the *blacks* forward. At 2 P. M. up Orange, down Bonaparte; the enemy hull down astern; took our departure from *Towns-end ticket* for one year.

March 16. Sailed Boat Fame on a cruise.

March 17. Privateer Alfred of this port has arr'd at Halifax prize to the Epervier, Sloop of War. Brig Three Friends, prize to the Diomedé of this port, has been chased on shore on Long Island; cargo expected to be saved.

March 18. Brig Rachael bound from this port for St. Barts is taken & arr'd at St. Kitts (Capt. Edward Brown of this Town (passenger) was lost over board). The Ship Venus & cargo taken by the Privateer Dolphin is condemned to the Captors, one half of the *Vessel* was condemned to the Government, the cargo to the Captors which is estimated at \$90,000.00.

March 22. A Spanish Brig is on shore at Kettle Cove. The Rambler of Boston just came to anchor as the Stage left.

Thursday, March 24. The Brig Argus of Newb'y Port was captured 3 days out of Charleston (S. C.) by the San Domingo. Schooner Dolphin from Salem (owned by Jere. Page & Co) has arrived in France. Green Fish \$10. Dry \$20.

Monday, March 28 [1814]. Arrived Ship Apollo, Driver, prize master, prize to the America, with Salt from St. Ubes.

April 1. Arrived at Portsmouth yesterday, Privateer Ship America, Cheever, from a cruise, having made four captures since the Apollo. Landed at Marblehead last eve, Capt Benson (late of the Alfred privateer) from an English Frigate; reports a 74, 2 frigates & gun Brig in the Bay.

April 4 [1814]. Arr. last eve via Marblehead U. S. Frigate Constitution—Capt. Stuart from a cruise.

Monday, April 11 [1814]. Schooner Hannah, Burnham, from Marblehead for Nantz is taken & carried into Plymouth. The Essex had taken 30 sail of which 15 were whalers. ☞ Very much like a whale!!!

April 13. The U. S. S. Constitution dropped down under the North Shore.

April 16. Six vessels of War are said to be off Boston lighthouse this morning — 12 O'clock, not in sight from the lookout. An Express reached Boston from N. York in Twenty six hours. News not transpired, probably the repeal of the Embargo, etc., etc., possibly an Armistice.

Monday, April 18 [1814]. The U. S. Sloop Peacock has arr. at St. Marys. Privateer Fame, Evans, on a cruise, was run ashore by a British Vessel of War on Mud Is^d & burnt. It is reported that NINE merchants have failed recently in New York.

April 27. Ship Union prize to the Rambler of Boston was lost near Sambro Light about the 30th ult^o.

Saturday, April 30. Ship New Zealand from the South Sea, 4 m^o prize to the Essex Frigate was recaptured on the 21 Inst. by the Eng. Frigate Belvidere, Lat. 39° Long. 74° W. 2200 bbls. Oil. The U. S. S. Essex, Com^o Porter, was left in January last in the South Seas with Two Ships of 22 Guns & Two Brigs of 16 Guns, well Manned. Com^o Porter had fortified some Islands & hauled up the Cap^t Ships under this protection; had cap^t 22 Sail.

May 2 [1814]. The Court Martial on Brig Gen. Hull have sentenced him to be shot, but recommended him to pardon.—The Sentence & Pardon were received in Boston this morning & forwarded to the General at his seat in Newton.

May 4. A Vessel has arrived at Boston in 9 days from Bermuda the Cap^t reports that *it was reported* the whole Coast of America was blockaded & that he hurried away to avoid it. Mr. Stewart formerly British Consul at New London informed the Cap^t. that orders had been sent to all the Cruizers on the American Station to enforce a rigorous blockade of all the Ports in America. Transports with 500 American Prisoners had sailed for England. Vessel arrived at Boston from Vineyard; came out with several Neutrals bound for Salem.

GENEALOGICAL NOTE ON ISRAEL PORTER OF WENHAM.

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THE second part of the Porter Genealogy (1878), "Descendants of John Porter," gives the following:—

William² Porter (Israel², John¹), born Feb. 12, 1688/9; was of Salem Village; married, 1st, Feb. 1, 1708/9, Edith Herrick; member of Second Church, Beverly. Their first child was:

Israel, bapt. Aug. 20, 1710; prob. d. Beverly, 1744 (pp. 242-3).

Israel⁴ Porter, of Wenham, probably son of William³ Porter, baptized Aug. 20, 1710. Married, in Wenham, Abigail Batchelder of Beverly; published Sept. 26, 1741.

Children, from Wenham records:

1. Israel, b. Feb. 16, 1743.

2. Abigail, b. June 10, 1746; prob. m. Charles Dodge, July 18, 1763 (p. 243).

In endeavoring to verify a line which contains the word "probably," so many times, I have found more errors than truths, and present herewith several corrections and additions.

First, Marriage. Israel Porter, of Wenham, married Abigail Balch of Beverly. Their intention was published in Wenham, Sept. 26; in Beverly, Sept. 27, and they were married in Beverly, Oct. 16, 1741, by Rev. Joseph Champney, of the First Church. She was daughter of Freeborn⁴ (Freeborn,³ Benjamin,² John¹) and Susanna Williston) Balch and was born in Boston, March 9, 1717/18. This marriage is given in the Balch Genealogy (p. 51), and proved by the settlement of the estate of Freeborn Balch (Essex Probate Docket, No. 1541, and

Deeds 133: 90). She was married, 2nd, May 10, 1748, to Francis Symonds of Topsfield, by Rev. John Chipman, of the Second Church, Beverly, and lived later in Danvers, where she probably died about 1758 or earlier. Francis Symonds married again June 21, 1759.

Second, Death. The death of Israel Porter is not given on town records of Wenham, Beverly, or Salem. On the records of the Second Church, Beverly, in a list of names of persons who died in the year 1743, is that of Israel Porter. This is without doubt the son of William and Edith (Herrick) Porter, who was baptized in 1710, as that family attended the North Beverly church. The Israel Porter who lived in Wenham and was father of two children born in 1743 and 1745 must have been another person of the same name. On the Wenham Church records is this item:—"Aug. 10, 1745, Israel Porter dyed at Cape Breton." An Israel Porter was Ensign in Capt. James Grant's (4th Co., Col. Jeremiah Moulton's (3rd Mass.) Regt., in the "Expedition against the french Settlements on Cape Breton" commanded by Hon. William Pepperrell; his commission was dated Feb. 1, 1744/5. (Mass. Hist. Coll., Sixth Series, Vol. x, p. 502.)

Third, Parentage. As Israel Porter of Wenham was not the son of William of Salem Village, to which family did he belong?

April 10, 1758, Israel Porter, a minor above fourteen years, son of Israel Porter late of Wenham deceased, made choice of his uncle, Mr. Samuel Porter, jr., to be his guardian. (Probate Docket, No. 22463.)

Jan. 30, 1782, Charles Dodge of Beverly and Abigail his wife conveyed to Joseph Woodbury "all our right in . . . real estate of our hon^{ble} Aunt Anna Brown late of Wenham deceased." (Deeds 140: 99.)

These two items indicate that Israel Porter was a brother of Samuel Porter, jr., and of Anna (Porter) Brown, and therefore son of Samuel¹ (John,² Samuel,³ John⁴) and Sarah (Bradstreet) Porter of Wenham. This family is given in the Porter Genealogy (p. 245), with only four children:—

1. Samuel, b. Nov. 14, 1711.
2. Ebenezer, b. 1716.
3. John, b. July 9, 1717.
4. Anna, b. Aug. 13, 1719; m. Nathaniel Brown.

The births of only three of these are found on town records, and no others; but again church records supply the desired information: — June 17, 1722, Israel, son of Samuel and Sarah Porter (baptized).

Samuel Porter of Wenham and Sarah Bradstreet of Topsfield were married May 20, 1707, by Rev. Joseph Capen. (Topsfield Church records.)

Sarah, wife of Samuel Porter, died July 7, 1762. (Wenham Church records.)*

Fourth, Children. The births of the two children are in accordance with Wenham records except that there are two entries of the birth of Israel, one giving the date as Feb. 16, 1743 and the other as Feb. 13, 1742-3.

The son, Israel⁶ (Israel⁵, Samuel⁴, etc.), was a housewright or carpenter, and removed to Marblehead where he was married Nov. 13, 1764, by Rev. Simon Bradstreet, to Mary Pedrick. She was daughter of Aaror and Elizabeth (Edgcome) Tucker, baptized, Second Church, Marblehead, June 6, 1742; married, 1st, Jan. 16, 1759, Nathaniel Pedrick, 2nd, Israel Porter as above, 3rd, Dec. 30, 1770, Philip Hye or Hoy,[†] and was living in Marblehead, a widow, Sept. 10, 1795. (Deeds 160: 83.)

Israel Porter, adult, was baptized and admitted to full communion in Second Church, Marblehead, Sept. 7, 1769, and died between that date and April 2, 1770, when his widow, Mary Porter, was appointed administratrix of his estate. (Probate Docket, No. 22464.)

April 24, 1788, Mary Hoy, widow, of Marblehead, Nancy Porter, singlewoman, of Wenham, and Sarah Porter, singlewoman, of Marblehead, sold a piece of land in Marblehead, which Israel Porter had purchased in 1767. (Deeds, 117: 230 and 151: 109.)

Children, baptized in Second Church, Marblehead:

1. Samuel, bapt. July 23, 1765; prob. d. young.
2. Anna; bapt. Oct. 5, 1766; m. in Wenham, April 27, 1790. Capt. Edmund Kimball of Newburyport; d. Newburyport, Aug. 31, 1795, in 29th year. Ch., Anna or Anne, Edmund, and Mary.

* The Porter Genealogy says that Samuel¹ prob. m. 2nd, Experience Batchelder, March 25, 1733, and on the same page quotes deed of Feb. 14, 1734, in which he and wife Sarah deed the homestead to their sons Samuel and Ebenezer. The above date is that of an intention, marriage not recorded, and is surely another Samuel Porter, perhaps his son.

[†] This name is variously spelled, — on Marblehead town records, Hye and High; church records, Hey and Huy; deeds, Hoy; and probate records, Mohyes.

[‡] This Anna Porter is given in Porter Genealogy, p. 332, without parentage; also in Kimball Genealogy, p. 226, where dates do not correspond.

3. Sarah, bapt. Nov. 20, 1763; m. in Marblehead, Feb. 20, 1791.
James Campbell of Marblehead. Ch., James, Sarah, James,
Israel Porter, Ananias, and Thomas.

The daughter, Abigail, was married in Wenham to Charles Dodge, by Rev. Joseph Swain, on the date given, and their children are found in the Dodge Genealogy, p. 91, and in Part Second, p. 479. She died in Beverly, Nov. 7, 1802, æt. 57, of putrid fever. (Second Church records.)

REVOLUTIONARY LETTERS WRITTEN BY
COL. TIMOTHY PICKERING.

TARRY TOWN JAN 31, 1777.

Dear Brother,

This night fortnight we left Tarry Town & marched to the lands near Kingsbridge viz. Lovel's, Thatcher's, Froft's & my regiments, commanded by General Lincoln & Brigadier Moulton. Some New York & Connecticut troops at the same [time] advanced to West Chester & the manor of Fordham in a direction about S. E. from us, who were in Phillips's manor. Generals Worcester, Parsons & Scot, commanded this body. Gen^l Heath was with them & commanded the whole. It seems that the design of the expedition was to take fort Independence (situated about 1/2 mile from, & intended to command Kingsbridge — destroy Kingsbridge, alarm the enemy, and draw their forces from the Jerseys, or prevent their reinforcing them, and carry off forage. We have only carried off a little forage. And yet Gen^l Lincoln's division has been greatly fatigued. About a week we lived in huts of rails & straw & leaves, in the woods, until a storm of snow followed by heavy rains obliged us to retire hither. Last Sunday we went down again, at night retired to the nearest houses & on Wednesday night marched up in a snowstorm. It has been a very idle not to say disgraceful expedition. It was not intended to take the fort by storm, for the whole

army was militia; and the work was fraised, ditched & surrounded by an abbatis (branches of trees fixed and pointed):—nor by regular approaches, for we had not a single entrenching tool: nor by a cannonade, for we had only three six pounders:—and yet on the first morning we arrived in the neighbourhood, Gen^l Heath sent a summons demanding a surrender of the fort. The garrison paid no regard to it. I have not time to mention many other particulars. To-morrow I am to march my regiment beyond White Plains. Thatchers & Lovells (or Frosts) follow me. We are now going upon a plan that promises some advantage. The Committee of New York say there are three thousand tons of hay & grain near White Plains, Rye & Marineck. These are to be removed, & the Massachusetts & Connecticut militia are to cover the foragers. Most of the Yorkers had run home, & the rest are discharged.

I wrote a short letter yesterday to my wife, and sent it in a packet containing a number of letters, directed, I think, to Col. Crafts.

I send you by the bearer a bundle of cuttings of the black Burgundy grape, of which kind is made the celebrated Burgundy wine. They were given me by Col. Phillips who says they should be kept from drying till Spring, when, as early as possible, they should be set in the ground, sloping, with a couple of buds above ground. (Tis the very manner in which I set y^e cutting, now in the front yard, which bore grapes so plentifully the year before last.) Col. Phillips says the grape is excellent for eating, & that the vine is extremely hardy, bearing our winters without any extraordinary care. This is highly probable from the far northern & cold situation of Burgundy.

I am very well, saving a slight cold. Many others have colds. But not a man has died in our whole brigade, consisting of y^e regiments above mentioned.

Yours affectionately

Tim. Pickering jun^r

To M^r John Pickering jun
At Salem, Mass^{ts} Bay.

PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 14. 1780

Dear Brother,

When I wrote you yesterday, I had not seen the proposals and articles of capitulation for Charlestown which were printed in New York. They are reprinted here this day, and ar[e] doubtless authentic. I inclose you one of the papers. We do not know the motives leading to this unhappy surrender. It seems that the town should early have been evacuated, or defended much longer. We cannot learn that they wanted provisions. This is a heavy stroke, and requires the more effectual exertions of the remaining states. No dispatches have yet arrived from Gen^l. Lincoln. If any further intelligence of importance shall arrive & I have opportunities of communicating it early I will do it. We have prisoners enough in our hands (including Burgoyne's army) to redeem the Continental t[ro]ops taken at Charlestown: But our officers now & heretofore made prisoners are so numerous, that should the enemy agree to the exchange of Burgoyne's army, some of those officers must still remain prisoners.

I remain your affectionate

Tim: Pickering

John Pickering Esq

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SEVEN LETTERS

WRITTEN BY MANASSEH CUTLER, LL.D.,
WHILE REPRESENTING THE ESSEX DISTRICT IN CONGRESS,
TO HIS FRIEND

DEACON FRANCIS LOW OF HAMILTON;

PARTS OF THEM READ BY A SON, DEACON ALBERT E. LOW,
AT THE ANNUAL GATHERING OF THE "ELDER
BRETHREN," AT MANCHESTER,
JULY 17, 1901.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

We print, as befitting this centennial year of the Louisiana Purchase, to which they refer, a number of letters written in 1803-5 by Dr. Manasseh Cutler, the member of Congress from this District between 1801 and 1805, and addressed by him to his close personal friend and parishioner, Deacon Francis Low of the Ipswich Hamlet, which had become, in 1793, the town of Hamilton. The letters are conceived in all the freedom of personal confidence and are permeated with the political spirit of the times, besides dealing largely with the local news of the day. Dr. Cutler was nothing if not a Federalist. He was holding a seat in Congress in the first years of Mr. Jefferson's administration, when probably many

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ardent partisans like himself had not abandoned the hope that their party might yet recover its old-time ascendancy. The letters are written without reserve, and came into the possession of the Essex Institute through the thoughtful liberality of a son of the recipient, the venerable Deacon Albert E. Low of Manchester.

Dr. Cutler had been conspicuously identified with the organization and settlement of the Northwest Territory, as he had been with the passage through Congress of its MAGNA CHARTA, the ordinance of 1787, — no public men save Thomas Jefferson and Nathan Dane more so than he. The two volumes of his "Life, Journals and Correspondence" (Cincinnati, 1888) give all that is left to be desired in the historical literature of the country that should elucidate the active part he took in the formative period of our national life.

The coincidence is perhaps worthy of note that two Preachers, possessed of such marked qualities of mind and character as Dr. Cutler and Dr. Bentley exhibited, should have been contemporaries, and near neighbors as well during the active portion of their lives. If Dr. Bentley were the more accomplished linguist and general scholar, Dr. Cutler was probably the better grounded of the two in natural science. If Dr. Cutler had a more signal career, in being fortunate enough to push important measures of politics and administration to a successful issue, Dr. Bentley was the more outspoken of the two, in season and out of season, in the radical Jeffersonian Republicanism which, as a lad, he imbibed at the famous old North End Caucuses inspired and conducted by Samuel Adams amongst his stalwart Boston adherents, in the immediate neighborhood of Bentley's birthplace, whilst the studious Latin School pupil, later to be an usher, was growing into a strenuous patriot and orator. Dr. Cutler, on the other hand, worked out his career no less resolutely and effectively in silence.

Dr. Cutler drove, in his own private sulky, from the Parsonage at Hamilton to the City of New York, in order to attend the session of the Congress of the old Confederacy which passed, under his urgent instigation, the Ordinance of 1787. And in the same primitive conveyance he made

the entire journey to Ohio, in 1788, on a visit to the Marietta Settlement, that he might see with his own eyes how great a work his sagacity and enterprise and courage had accomplished.

The Historical Collections of the Essex Institute, Volumes viii, p. 226; xxv, p. 165; and xxxvi, pp. 105, 233, 264, as well as the New England Magazine for July, 1901, Vol. xxiv, p. 494, add interesting side-lights. And the great wave of well-written literature sweeping over the country, in recognition of this centenary year of the Louisiana Purchase, makes it quite needless to descend upon the political conditions of Dr. Cutler's day. Representative Federalists, among them some of the best men of this section, — Timothy Pickering and Josiah Quincy among them, were so blinded to the true interests and assured future of the country that they regarded the opportune acquirement by Mr. Jefferson of the mouth of the Mississippi River as justifying the withdrawal of New England from the Federal Union. While it is not easy to understand how the great Northwest could be expected to grow as they expected it to grow, and could still be expected to content itself to see its great water-way remain tributary to a foreign power, it is easy enough to pardon their seeming disloyalty to the Federal Union when we reflect that the Compact had not then been "cemented in blood," and was not much more, to the apprehension of its framers, than a written instrument of limited co-partnership which they had joined in forming for a definite purpose and which, now that it was failing of the purpose some of them intended, they felt they had every right to cancel. The Union had for them no more sacredness than the old Confederation which they had abandoned for a better system when it had ceased to answer the purpose they had intended.

Dr. Cutler was born in Killingly, Conn., May 13, 1742. A graduate of Yale, he first engaged in the whaling business and afterwards in shopkeeping, at Edgartown in Martha's Vineyard. He was admitted to the Bar in 1767; then studied theology at Dedham, where he married, and was licensed as a preacher in 1770. He became pastor of the Hamlet Parish of Ipswich in the next year, and

remained such until his death in 1823. He marched with the Ipswich minute-men for Lexington, and saw the retreat of the British into Boston. He became chaplain of the 11th Massachusetts Regiment in 1776, and was complimented for his gallantry by its commander with the present of a horse. He added to his parochial charge later in the War,—a common practice in New England,—the duties of a family physician while the local practitioner was serving as an army surgeon, and treated at different times no less than two score small-pox patients. He made himself the earliest authority upon the flora of New England, and called attention to the appearance of the Magnolia in Essex and Gloucester woods as early as 1793, deriving his first intimation of the presence of this southern exotic from Chief Justice Theophilus Parsons, according to the journal kept by Dr. Bentley. He was of the first party to ascend the White Mountains and to make, in 1784, an estimate of their height. He made astronomical observations and taught a school of navigation. In the parsonage at Hamilton he received a class of boys fitting for college. His part in the development of the northern Mississippi basin is well known. Yale conferred on him the degree of LL.D. in 1791, and in 1795 he declined a commission as Judge of the Supreme Court of the then new Northwest Territory. He drafted the Charter of Marietta College, in Ohio. He served two terms in Congress, declining re-election in 1804. He was a member of the leading scientific societies of the Country, to which he contributed papers on astronomy and on natural science. He remained pastor of the Hamilton Parish until his death, and was far in advance of the pulpits of his denomination generally and of the public opinion of New England in the breadth and liberality of his theological views. Both in his teachings and by his example he did what he could to encourage amongst his flock harmless enjoyments and recreations, and a liberal interest in everything which can contribute to the substantial advancement of mankind.

No. I.

WASHINGTON 26th Oct' 1803.

MY DEAR SIR,

The member from Vermont, M^r Eliot, I find to be y^e man you mentioned to me. On his first arrival he pushed himself forward, & very soon rendered himself obnoxious to his own party. Yesterday we had before us a resolution to carry into effect y^e Louisiana Treaty. Very early in y^e day this man rose, with great pomposity, & with a display of vanity, weakness — & extreme arrogance, spoke two hours. The utmost dislike was evident from every part of y^e House. At length, he became so tedious, that his own party called him to order — as he offered nothing in point to y^e question, for, in fact, he was wandering over y^e whole globe & it was requested he would confine himself to y^e question. This appeared to have little effect upon his feelings. In defiance to all y^e dislike & resentment shewn by his own party, he continued a considerable time longer. In this ridiculous speech, I believe, he has completely blown himself out, & will be viewed with y^e contempt so much vanity has merited.

On this question we had many excellent speeches on both sides — & y^e setting continued untill eight at night. On y^e question by ayes & noes — 90 for y^e motion — 25 against it. I am among y^e number opposed — for I am clearly of opinion that y^e Treaty is unconstitutional—that y^e sum given is too much — & that in its operation, it will be injurious to y^e interests, & particularly the commerce of y^e Eastern States. There is no evidence that Spain has concented to this treaty, but strong suspicion that y^e Spanish Government is opposed to y^e purchase. It may eventually involve us in a war with Spain. But I cannot now state to you all y^e objections I have against it. It will be carried into effect, & we have only to wait y^e consequences.

I am, with much respect,

Dear Sir, your humble Serv^t

M CUTLER.

No. II.

WASHINGTON 30th Nov^r 1803.

MY DEAR SIR,

I thank you for your very obliging letter of y^e 14th instant. Mr Eliot has met with severe mortifications from his own party, who shew y^e most marked dislike when ever he rises to speak. But he has said very little for some time past — and when he rises, he generally begins with a promise to be very short. He is certainly a man of some ability, & is not to be y^e less respected because he has risen from a low station in life. I think he deserves much credit for his own exertions in acquiring so much information as he has done. He still appears quite a superficial man, who has a talent in running over y^e surface of things, but not much penetration or Judgment. But he has been so vain & imprudent in his first setting out, as he will not easily get over, for a long time — perhaps not while he is a member of Congress.

The high salaries, which the democrats have so often promised to reduce, they have now fixed at their high rates, by a permanent Law, for y^e purpose of preventing their ever being lowered. The bankrupt act is repealed by a bill which has passed y^e house. It was found so radically defective as not to admit of amendment. A committee is appointed on y^e State of y^e fisheries, & I hope some thing will be done to give them further encouragement. But it is doubtful. The House has been principally employed lately on local business. The amendment of y^e Constitution is yet before y^e Senate. We need not trouble ourselves much about amendments. The Constitution is become a mere *man of Straw*. It is just what the *Majority* are disposed to make it.

I am very sorry to hear of y^e death of old M^r Potter— & the daughter of Mr Appleton. I have felt great comfort in hearing, by letters before, that general health prevailed. It is my earnest prayer that you may all be favoured with this great blessing. I will thank you, when you can find liesure, to inform me how y^e people do —

& what is passing among you. Every thing that concerns y^e people is deeply interesting to me.

In my journey here I suffered as little as I had a right to expect — but afterwards very threatening symptoms came on — & reduced me extremely low. But through the Great goodness of that gracious & merciful *Being* from whom all our blessings flow — in whose hand is our life — & every enjoyment, I now find myself much better. The pain in my side remains, but it comes by times, & does not give me much inconvenience — & my strength is daily recruiting. Please to give my best respects to your Lady — & regards to all enquiring friends.

I am,

with great esteem & friendship,
your humble Serv^t

M CUTLER.

M^r Francis Low.

No. III.

WASHINGTON, 21st Jan^r, 1804.

MY DEAR SIR

With much pleasure I received your favour of 27th ult. I thank you for the interest you take in my health, & your kind wishes for my safe return. Through divine Goodness, I have enjoyed better health for some time past, than for several years.

It gives me great pleasure to receive your letters, for you are so good as to inform me of those circumstances in the town, which I feel very anxious to know. I am very glad to hear that M^r Forbes has been with you, & that M^r Cochran gives so good satisfaction. D^r Dana has been so good as to inform me, himself, of his marriage, & by his letters I should suppose him to be very happy. I am very sorry to hear of y^e misfortune of M^r Quarles — The death of M^r Robertts is a very melancholly event. The affliction must be heavy to his bereaved wife & friends, with whom, I most sincerely sympathize. And it is, too, a public loss. The death of a young, prudent, steady & industrious man is a real loss to y^e society & neighbour-

hood. I shall miss him very much, for I have always found him a valuable neighbour.

The information I have had of y^e prevalence of y^e scarlet fever in the town, has given me great concern. I was, for a time, almost afraid to open y^e letters I received from Hamilton, lest I should be told of some distressing instance of mortality. But y^e goodness of God has interposed, & I greatly rejoice to hear that y^e sickness is abated, & more general health prevails. May that kind & merciful *Being*, in whose hand is our life, & on whom we are dependent for all our blessing, be graciously pleased to restore & preserve health among all y^e people of the town.

I have nothing very material to write you from this city. Business goes on slowly — & yet we have very long settings. We rarely get down to dinner untill after Sun-set. The most material subjects lately before us have been the proceedings on y^e Impeachment of the two Judges *Chase & Peters*. It is a party business — & much to be regretted that two Judges — so independent — so impartial — & so eminently learned in y^e Law, should be hurled from their seats. But their crime is, they are Federalists — & they must go. We spent the most of this week on what is called y^e *State ballances*. On y^e settlement of y^e accounts of y^e revolutionary war — some states had done more than their part, & others not so much. The acc^{ts} were settled and y^e ballance struck. A large number of states were deficient. They owed, in y^e whole, about three million of dollars. The object is, now, to relinquish to those states, y^e sums they owe, without any compensation — & to acquit them of any demands. Massachusetts is a credit state, to a larger amount than any other — we had done more — & a debt was found due, of one million & about two hundred thousand dollars. For this sum our state has received interest annually — which is to a large amount. It is evidently intended to wipe off, with one stroke this debt due to us. But, tho', I think, they will acquit the debtor states, I do hope they are not yet bold enough to take from us this large sum. On this question all y^e members from Massachusetts are united. All possible opposition

has been made. But it appears that with respect to y^e first question the Committee of y^e whole has come to a trial, on which y^e majority won against us — Yeas 67 — Nays 65. It is not decided.

Mr Eliot has been with us in opposing the impeachment of y^e judges — & y^e State ballances — &, indeed, on all national questions. His speeches have been short but much to y^e point — he now says little — & unless they buy him, I do believe he will leave his party — & come over to y^e federal side.

There is a *Jubilee* proclaimed here by y^e Democrats — it is to be celebrated next friday. There is to be such a feast, it is said, as was never known in America, on account of taking possession of *Louisiana*. There is to be diners — suppers — balls — assemblies, dances, & I know not what — It is said every *pig* — & *goose* — & *duck* — in all y^e country round, is put in requisition. But we, poor Federalist, — keep our distance. The *Jubilee* is to begin here — but they expect it will run — like *wild-fire*, to every dark & benighted corner of America. You may look out for y^e flame to come on your way — & you may get ready to light up your dark-lantern.

Let me beg you, my dear sir, to continue your letters. There is no body in Hamilton, who will condescend to write to me, but you, except my own family. As you sit by your fire side, on a winters evening — do be so good as to take your pen. It may be an amusement. I want much to hear from all y^e neighbours — & all y^e people. I long to see you — & to return once more to Hamilton. But there is no hope, now, that we shall rise before the first week in March — & many think — not till May. So we go on spending the people's money — such is democratic œconomy.

We have had it cold, for this city, for a week or ten days past — wind often high from north west, two or three small sprinklings of snow, which lasted only a few hours. But, now we have had a little more than a white frost on y^e ground for three or four days. The ground is considerably frozen — the Potomac river frozen up — as far down as we can see. We believe you have fine sledding. I hope the ponds are frozen over — & the

people will have a good time to get a supply of wood. Do write me how y^e weather is with you. Please to present my complements to your good lady — & be assured that I am,

With great friendship
your humble Serv^t
M CUTLER.

(My regards to all enquiring friends.)

We have just had y^e news of a Post Officer in Maryland, who was appointed in place of a very faithful Post-Officer, who was turned out — run off, last monday, with a large sum of public money in his hands — carried off y^e books & papers of y^e Office — many letters supposed to contain money to a large amount — & has not yet been taken.

Do just give a caution to Cap^t Brown, not to run away with public property. — But a short time since a public Officer, in New York, a M^r Livingston, who had fifty thousand dollars of public money has failed — & y^e money lost. A M^r Harrison, a very worthy honest man, was turned out, to provide a place for this excellent Democrat Livingston. Many other like failures have happened. Will y^e eyes of the people ever be opened?

No. IV.

WASHINGTON, 13th MARCH 1804.

MY DEAR SIR,

I feel myself under great obligations to you for your repeated favours — & particularly for your last of y^e 21st of Feb^r. I am much gratified in being so particularly informed of what is passing with you, & I now rejoice in prospect of soon leaving this city on my return home. Both Houses have just agreed to a resolution to adjourn on y^e 26th — & I think there is no business which will detain us longer than that day.

It is not in my power to be very particular in giving you information of what is doing here at this time. I must leave a detail of matters untill I have y^e pleasure of seeing you. But will just inform you that y^e trial of

Judge Pickering was closed yesterday — & sentence of condemnation passed. The evidence of the Judge having been insane — & that derangement was y^e occasion of his intemperance was very full & clear.

Immediately after, the House agreed to the impeachment of Judge Chase. The federalists agreed not to enter into any debate, as reasoning would be in vain. The vote stood ays 73 — nays 32. We have the evidence before us, but it was all taken expertly — & altho' his enemies have given a pretty high colouring in a few instances, taking it all together, it appears more in his favour, than against him. The object is to break down y^e Judiciary — to persecute every real friend to his country — & depose every federal character. We appear nearly prepared to erect y^e Guillotine & I can not doubt there are those who wish to see it in operation.

We have had steady cold for a considerable time past, untill within three or four days, altho' we have had no snow on y^e ground, for a long time. But we have now warmer weather & this day a mild mist from y^e southard.

I enclose you a paper printed at Fredericktown, which, think, is one of y^e best printed on the Continent. It is not in my power to add more at this time, than that, I am with great esteem & respect,

your sincere friend & humble Serv^t

M CUTLER

No. V.

WASHINGTON 10th DEC^r 1804.

MY DEAR SIR,

You was so obliging as to favour me with your correspondence during the last session, I am induced to renew my request, that you will again favour me with an account of what is passing with you.

I wish much to hear whether Esquire Giddings is any better, & what is his present state. I am anxious to hear whether health prevails; if any are sick — who they are — & of what disease. I should be glad to know whether M^r True is approved by y^e people. He was a perfect stranger to me —, I was obliged wholly to depend

on information. Are they likely to settle Mr Jewett, or any body else, at Wenham? What is y^e present situation of Rev^d Dr Forbes? I have not heard a word from him since I left home. Who have you employed for School Masters in the town? Pray inform me of every occurrence which is of any consequence, that has taken place since I left home.

There has nothing yet of much importance been before Congress. The principle thing we have done is to have completed, in our house, the articles of impeachment against Judge Chase. The impeachment is now gone up to the Senate. When y^e trial will come on is uncertain, probably in January. It is expected that y^e trial will be long & very interesting. We expect some very interesting subjects before the session closes. The Virginian Party carry all before them. They govern y^e Country — & whether you be sensible of it, or not, New England is subjugated to the Virginia interest. We have an unequal portion of y^e public burthen — & it is probable it will be increased instead of being diminished, in y^e course of y^e present session.

Please to present my sincere regards to M^r Low — & to all enquiring friends — and be assured that

I am, with great esteem, your very humble Servant
M CUTLER.

No. VI.

WASHINGTON 4th JAN^y 1805.

MY DEAR SIR,

I have only time, just to beg you to accept of my grateful acknowledgements for your two kind letters, & beg leave to solicit your further favour.

The Death of Dr Forbes was an event to be expected, yet when it comes, we find our minds impressed & affected in a manner we could not anticipate. But our loss is his gain. may y^e great Shephard look upon y^e flock he has left — & provide them a faithful pastor. And may it be improved as a solemn lesson to me & to all who are in y^e ministry, to be ready to give our acc^t to our great Lord & Master.

I am extremely grieved to hear of M^r Low's ill state of health — may she be favoured with every divine support, & her health restored. As she has so long been an invalide, I hope this will prove only a sudden turn. I am sorry to find your spirits are depressed. Let me beg you to place your confidence in that all powerful & merciful being, who can remove all our sicknesses, heal all our diseases, or prepare us for y^e events his wise superintending providence.

You inform me that Esquire Giddings is not worse. It is my earnest prayer that his health may be restored, if it be consistant with y^e divine will.

I shall feel very anxious untill I hear further from M^{rs} Low — & desire to commend her case & yours to that God who is infinite in goodness, but who can never do us wrong, & can cause all things to operate for our good. Pray write me as often as you can.

As y^e trial of Judge Chase was to have begun this week, all my correspondents are anxious to hear & I have many letters to write. He has appeared & requested y^e trial might be postponed untill y^e next session of Congress, & offered very good reasons — but his request has been rejected. His trial will commence on y^e 4th day of Feb^r. It is curious that y^e Senate should reject this request from y^e Judge, when one of y^e articles of y^e impeachment against him is, that he did not give Calender all the time he wanted to prepare for trial.

Do inform me of what is passing with you. I rejoice that health so generally prevails I beg you to present my particular regards to M^r Low — & my respects to Esquire Giddings — & be assured that

I am,
with great affection &
friendship
your humble Serv^t
M CUTLER.

No. VII.

WASHINGTON 6th Feb^r 1805.

MY DEAR SIR

I have pleasure of receiving your very friendly &

obliging letter of y^e 21st ult. Please to accept my sincere thanks for this repeated instance of your goodness.

It affords me great satisfaction to hear that your Lady is so much better, than when you wrote me last — & to be informed that so remarkable health has, & does still continue, in y^e town, since I left home. This appears to me an unusual term for so general health to prevail. It is my earnest prayer that this distinguished blessing of Heaven may be continued. As Esquire Giddings remains so long in much the same state, I can not help entertaining y^e hope that he may recover. I am very glad to hear that M^r True is better esteemed as a preacher, & has given so great satisfaction as a school master.

On monday y^e trial of Judge Chase commenced. A vast concourse of people attended. The House attended in a body, who had seats provided on y^e floor of y^e Senate Chamber, in a circular form, fronting y^e Court of Impeachment. Proper seats were prepared in front of y^e Representatives, on the right for the Managers of y^e Impeachment, & on the left of the President's Chair for y^e Judge & his counsel. There were particular seats, like pews, provided for Foreign Ministers, the Judges of y^e Supreme Court & other Gentlemen of distinction. There was also a temporary gallery for y^e accommodation of Ladies. There were a large number from Philadelphia & Baltimore, who attended.

The Court was opened between 12 & 1 o'clock, with great solemnity — & the most profound silence, & perfect order prevailed through the time the Court was in setting.

Judge Chase rose & made a short address to the Court — & requested leave to offer his answer to y^e Impeachment in writing, which he & his Counsel would read. His Counsel are Mess^{rs} Harper, Hopkinson & Martin. Leave being given, the Judge read the introductory part, & gave it to M^r Harper, to read the remainder which he did excepting that M^r Hopkinson, relieved him once, by reading a little while. The reading commenced at one — & lasted untill almost five o'clock. The Judge then rose & made a most solemn & impressive address to the Court, which seemed to penetrate y^e heart of every one

present. The Managers requested time to consider the answer, & to consult the House. After they are ready they will attempt to support the Impeachment— & then the Judge's Counsel will close the trial.

The answer seemed to fill every one who heard it with astonishment & has far exceeded y^e expectations of his warmest friends. He took up each article in their order, & made clear & very circumstantial statements. His reasoning was able, candid, & carried full conviction with it. Our Managers have a hard task — & many of the Democrats now say the Judge must be acquitted, & regret that they voted for the Impeachment. But others, are as violent as ever, for his Condemnation. As it is altogether a spiteful, party, business, I see no probability that he will be acquitted, unless the acquittal of the Judges of the Supreme Court in Pennsylvania who have lately been tried should have any effect — & also a division & violent contest which has taken place in our house, should operate in favour of the Judge, which some think will be y^e case. But whatever may be his fate, posterity will justify & applaud him. And this answer must do him immortal honour. What a shocking state are we arrived at?— What a painful sight to see — a Man under the legal imputation of willful murder, should preside over the highest Court in the nation, on the trial of an able & upright Judge on the Bench of y^e national Supreme Court.

We have had some very curious scenes passing in our house in y^e course of the last week & the present. I can not now be particular — only just observe — that there is a violent brakage among the Democrats. Johnny Randolph has been very much deserted by his party. In two most outrageous, abusive speech, he has violently attacked those of his party who had left him. It has produced much warmth — & much talk about Duels. Last week was spent in altercations between these two parties. The federalist were perfectly silent — & gave them y^e whole field of battle. Mr Dana only was obliged to say something, as Chairman of y^e Committee of Claims, to vindicate that Committee, who were shamefully abused. There is undoubtedly a third party established here between

y^e moderate & y^e violent democrats. But I am not able to add any more at present only that—

I am, with great affection,
& friendship,
your humble Serv^t
M CUTLER

Excuse this letter. I have been obliged to write it in y^e midst of interesting business in y^e house.

A CHARACTERISTIC LETTER FROM
COL. PICKERING.

PHILADELPHIA AUGT. 20. 1780.

DEAR BROTHER,

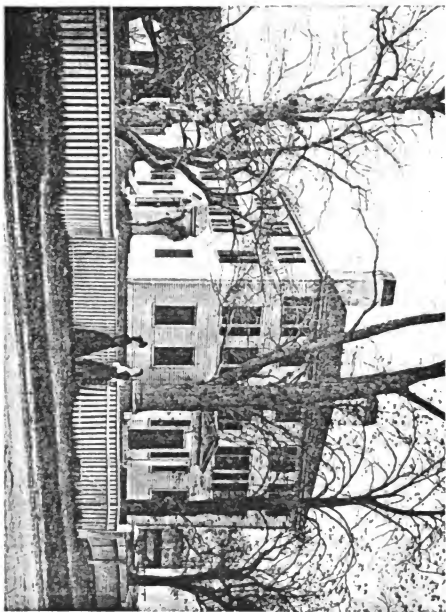
By my letter of the 18th inst to Brother Williams you will learn that Congress have appointed me quarter master general, which office not my inclination but a kind of political necessity has induced me to accept. That I may conduct the business with more ease to myself and advantage to the public, 'tis my wish and endeavour to appoint deputy quarter masters to the several states of the most unexceptionable characters—men of capacity, activity, prudence and integrity. Such a man for the three easternmost states does not occur to my memory; nor do the delegates of our state think of a suitable person. As Massachusetts is most important, & will furnish many more supplies than New Hampshire & Rhode Island together, I mean to select a deputy from Massachusetts. I am averse from asking the Council to nominate a man; because I think a few principal members of the Council & the House whom you will chuse to consult, are much more likely to recommend a very good man than either or both those bodies. I beg therefore you will take the trouble to consult such members as soon as possible, & send me the name of the person you & they shall judge equal to and fittest for the business, & who will probably accept the office of deputy quarter master for Massachusetts, New Hampshire & Rhode Island. I will write you more fully by an express who will leave this place in a day or two, by whom also I will send a copy of the plan for conducting the business of the department. In the mean time you may have opportunity of making some inquiries.

I am yours affectionately

TIM: PICKERING

JOHN PICKERING Esq^r.

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bought and enlarged in 1772, by Dr. Cutler.

BEVERLY FIRST CHURCH RECORDS.

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27th. Ebenezer Son of Samuel Stone jun^r. by his wife Mehitabel [Butman].

May 4th. Sarah Daughter of John and Anna [Clements], née Dodge] Rea. Miol Son of Eleazar and Rebecca [Chapman] Giles.

... 11th. Mark Son of John and [Jane (Standley)] Morse.

... 18th. Charity [and] Abigail Twin Daughters of James and [Sarah (Woodbury)] Taylor.

... 25th. Mary Daughter of Ebenezer and Eve [Hocks] Giles.†

June 8th. Josiah Son of Joseph and Hannah [Morgan] Foster.

... 15th. Hannah Daughter of Thomas and [Hannah (Ober)] Hardy.

[•] June 22^d. William Son of William jun^r and Eliz^a [Sewall] Tuck.

June 25th. This Day was baptized an Infant of Joseph Corning by his Wife [Hannah (Pride)] at his House, before a considerable number of the Church, and others; They desired the Ordinance might be administered in this more private way, to their little Babe because it appeared to be very near its End.—It was generally thought there would be no opportunity to bring it to the Ordinance in publick, upon the next Lord's Day.

July 13th. Mary [and] Hannah Children of Ebenezer and Joanna [Thorndike] Lovett.

July 27th. Elizabeth Daughter of Randal and Susanna [Stone] Presson.

August 31st. Thomas Son of Elisha and Joanna [Ober] Woodbury.

† She was from Lynn.

Septem^r: 14th. Hazadiah Son of Ebenezer and Eliz^a [Smith] Woodbury. Emma Daughter of Nicholas and Lydia [Ehot] Woodbury.

... 21st. Mary Daughter of Daniel and Hannah [Creesy] Wallis.

... 28. Thankful Daughter of George and Mary [Lovett] Tuck. Joseph Son of Israel and Judith [Tuck] Wood.

October 19. Caleb Son of Andrew and Bethiah [Lovett] Balch.

Novem^r: 9th. Zechariah [and] Mary, Children of the Widow Mary [Tuck] Stone [widow of William]. Anna Daughter of Thomas & Anna [Lovett] Tuck.

... 16. Charity Daughter of Benj^a and Charity [Stone] Roundey.

Decem^r: 21st. Azariah Son of Benj^a and [Lydia (Herrick)] Woodbury.

January 11th. Deborah Daughter of William and [Sarah (Trask)] Cox.

... 18th 1740/1. Andrew Son of Andrew Eliot jun^r by his Wife Mary [Trask].

March 8th. Elizabeth Daughter of Joseph and Thankful [Pickens] Champney.

22. Sarah Daughter of Andrew and Eliz^a [Wallis] Ellinwood.

April 12th. Emma Daughter of Herbert and Abigail [Ober] Thorndike. Benj^a Son of Benj^a† and Eliz^a [Giles] Jeffords.

... 26. Emma Daughter of Benj^a and Abigail [Groves] Elliott.

May 10th. Joanna Daughter of Josiah and Rebekah [Woodbury] Luvett.

... 24th. Ruth Daughter of Thomas and Lucy [Herrick] Woodbury. Daniel Son of Mark and Jenima [Larcom] Morse.

31st. Jonathan Son of David and Lucy [Downing] Larcum. Hezekiah Son of Thomas and Abigail [Pitnam] Ober. Rebekah Daughter of Jonathan and Reb^h [Dodge] Thorndike.

[*] June 7th Henry Son of John and Elizabeth [Ober] Thorndike.

† He was from Lynn.

. . . 29th Peter Son of John and Marcy [Balch] Lovett.

July 5th David Son of John and [Jane (Standley)] Morse. Cornelius Son of Gideon and Priscilla Baker.

. . . 12th Mary Fern an adult Person was baptised.

. . . 19th Zechariah Son of Peter and Anna [Eliot] Groves.

. . . 26. Anna [Babcock] Woodbury an Adult Person was baptised, and one of her Children whose name was Ezra.

Aug^t 2^d Isaac Son of Robert and Hannah [Gray] Morgan.

. . . 9th Jonathan Son of Jonathan and Juda [Cox] Phelps.

. . . 16. Richard Son of Peter and Lydia [Foster] Ober. Samuel and Francis Sons of Sam^l and Judith [Ober] Woodbury.

. . . 23^d Mary and Rebekah Daughters of Andrew and [Joanna (Dodge) Woodbury] Woodbury. Jacob Son of Ezra and Ann [Anna (Babcock)] Woodbury.

Sept: 6. Ruth, Sarah and Mary, Children of John West decd. by his Wife Sarah [Woodbury] now How, were baptized.

. . . 27th William Herrick and Joseph Pickett jun^r adult Persons were baptized. The same Day their Children were brought to Baptism whose names were William and Lemmon Herrick [by his wife Mary (Tuck)]. Jane and Robert Pickett [by his wife Mary (Horsum)]. The same Day the Children of Ebenezer [and Priscilla (Preston)] Williams were baptized, their names were Elizabeth and Abigail.

October 10th Mara Daughter of Mihil and Mary [Balch] Woodbury.

. . . 18th Jeremiah Son [of] Jeremiah and Hannah [Willard] Butman.

Novem^r 1^t Eliz^a Daughter of Randal and Susanna [Stone] Presson. Mary, John, Samuel, Elizabeth and Susanna Children of Ralph and Lois [Herrick] Tuck.

— 8th Benjamin, Samuel and George, Children of George & [Mary (Williams)] Peirce.

. . . 29. Mercy Daughter of Edward and Abigail Traskc.^t

Decem^r 6th Emma Daughter of John and Anna [Clements, *née* Dodge] Rea.

13th Rachel Daughter of Andrew and [Joanna (Dodge)] Woodbury.

. . . 27th Benj^a Pickett a Young Man was baptized. Jane Daughter of Thomas and Anna [Lovett] Tuck.

January 24th 1741/2. David Son of Joshua and Abigail [Jacub] Herrick. Hezekiah Son of Samuel and [Elizabeth (Butman)] Ober. Mary Daughter of Joseph Foster tertius and Hannah [Morgan] Foster.

February 7th Mary Daughter of Henry and Lydia [Lovett] Blashfield.†

March 28th Jane Daughter of Sam^l Stone jun^r & Mehitabel [Butman] Stone. William Son of John and Katherine [Leach] Groves. Elizabeth Pickett A young woman.

April 4th Osmyn Son of Osmyn and Jane [Groves] Traske.

[*] April 11th Stephens Son of William & [Elizabeth (Fluant)] Haskol.

. . . 18th Elizabeth Daughter of Edward & Eleanor [Morgan] Butman. Paul Son of James & Anna [Ober] Thorndike.

. . . 25. Sarah Daughter of William & Eliz^a [Putnam] Butman. Robert Son of Jonathan & [Mercy (Sallows)] Standly. Hannah Daughter of Richard & Hannah [Smith] Butman.

May 2^d Osmyn Son of Deacon Joseph and Emma [Tuck] Traske.

. . . 16. Hannah Daughter of William and [Martha (Woodbury)] Woodbury. Samuel Son of Hue and Jane [Green] Woodbury.

. . . 21. Ebenezer Son of Jeffry and Mary [Butman] Thistle. This Child was baptiz'd in its Fathers House on a Week Day being sick, and apprehended near its End; and accordingly It died the same Day it was baptized.

. . . 23^d Caleb Son of Caleb and [Joanna (Lovett)] Coye of Wenham.

. . . 30th Samuel Son of Sam^l and Mary [Thorndike] Foster, pr. M^r Clark.

June 6th Henry Son of Andrew & Eliz^a [Ober, *née*

† She was his second wife.

Stone] Elliott. Joseph Son of Joseph and [Lydia] Williams who deceased soon after y^e Birth of this Child.

. . . 20th Samuel Son of Samuel & Lydia Morgan.

. . . 27th Sarah Daughter of Brackenbury & [Phebe (Larcom)] Patch.

July 4th Anna Daughter of Thomas & Sarah Ober.

. . . 18th Joseph Son of William & Susanna Tuck.

. . . 25th Sarah Daughter of George & Mary [Lovett] Tuck.

Aug^t 3. Jonathan, and Benjamin Children of Tho: & [Elizabeth (Standley)] Patch. Elizabeth Daughter of Jonathan & [Dorothy (Stone)] Harris.

Sep^r 12th Henry Son of William & Mary [Tuck] Herrick.

. . . 19th Jonathan, Hannah and Susanna Children of Peter & [Jerusha (Trask)] Pride. Marjary and Mary Children of Edmund & [Experience (Sallows)] Ashby.

. . . 26. Lucas Son of George and [Mary (Williams)] Peirce. Jonathan Son of Jonathan & [Elizabeth (Biles)] Byles.

Octob^r 3^d Joshua and Sarah Children of Joshua & Sarah [Thorndike] Thorndike.

. . . 24. Hannah Daughter of Livermore & [Mary (Gage)] Whitteridge.

Novem^r 7th Elizabeth & Mary Daughters of John & [Margaret (Harris)] Presson.

. . . 14th Joseph Son of Benj^a & Elizabeth [Giles] Jeffords.

. . . 21^t Israel Son of Jonathan and Rebecca [Wood] Smith. Joshua Son of Joshua and [Deborah (Cushing)] Corning. Emma Daughter of Andrew [and Mary (Trask)] Elliott jun^r.

Dec^r 5th Jerusha Daughter of Peter & [Jerusha (Trask)] Pride.

[*] Decem^r 26 Sarah Daugh^r of Joseph & Mary [Horsum] Picket.

January 2^d 1742/3. Ebenezer Son of Daniel and Hannah [Creesy] Wallis.

. . . 9th Ebenezer Son of Eleazar and Rebecca [Chapman] Giles.

February 6th Samuel & Richard Sons of Josiah and Experience [Haskins] Woodbury.

March 13th Israel Son of Benj^a and Eleanor [Cleaves] Lovett.

. . . 20th Abigail Daughter of Joshua and Abigail [Jacob] Herrick. Lucy Daughter of John and Anna [Clements, *née* Dodge] Rea. Eunice Daughter of Ezra and [Anna (Babcock)] Woodbury.

Mar: 27th Thomas Son of Joseph and Thankful [Pickens] Champney. Samuel Son of Benj^a & [Lydia (Herrick)] Woodbury.

April 17th Mary Daughter of Andrew & Eliz^a [Wallis] Ellingwood.

May 1^t William and Mercy Twin Children of William and Mercy [Trask] Haskol. Andrew Son of William & Eliz^a [Stone] Gage.

. . . 8^t Jane Daughter of Osmyn & Jane [Groves] Traske.

. . . 22^d. Hepzibah Daughter of John & Eliz^a [Ober] Thorndike. Mihil Son of Elisha and Joanna [Ober] Woodbury. Thomas Son of Thomas and [Lucy (Herrick)] Woodbury. Abigail Daughter of Joseph and [Hannah (Morgan)] Foster.

. . . 29th Robert Son of John and Hannah [Larcom] Bradford.

June 5th Nicholas Son of Nicholas and [Lydia (Eliot)] Woodbury. Simon Son of John and Mercy [Balch] Lovett. Priscilla Daughter of Ebenezer and [Priscilla (Preston)] Williams.

. . . 26th. Anna Daughter of Benjamin & Abigail [Groves] Elliot.

July 3^d. Sarah Daughter of Samuel and Lydia [Biles] Morgan. John Son of Josiah and Rebekah [Woodbury] Lovett.

. . . 24th Hannah Daughter of Joseph and [Hannah (Pride)] Corning.

. . . 31^t Susanna Daughter of David & Susanna [Ober] Allen.

Aug^t 28th Sarah Daughter of William jun^r & Susanna Tuck.

Sept^r 4th David Son of William and [Hannah (Stone)] Standley.

. . . 11th Lucy Daughter of Jonathan & Rebecca [Dodge] Thorndike.

. . . 25th David Son of Nathaniel Williams jun^r by his wife [Hannah (Preston)].

October 16th Lydia Daughter of Richard & Lydia [Chapman] Ober.

Nov^r 6th Hannah Daughter of Jeoffry & Eliz^a [Mary? (Butman)] Thistle.

Nover : 11th Hezekiah Hathorn in adult Age was baptized in a private House.

. . . 13th Anna Daughter of Israel and [Judith (Tuck)] Wood.

Dec^r 11th Henry Son of Jonathan and Judith [Cox] Phelps. Thankful Daughter David & Lucy [Downing] Larcum.

[*] Dec^r 25 Mary Daughter of Peter and [Lydia (Foster)] Ober.

January 8th 1743/4 Cornelius Son of Jonathan & Deborah [Balch] Dodge.

. . . 15th Andrew Son of Andrew & [Joanna (Dodge)] Woodbury. Curtis Son of Samuel & [Judith (Ober)] Woodbury.

. . . 29th William Son of John and Eliz^a [Leach] Bradford. Benjamin Son of Nehemiah & Annis [Bradford] Presson [Preston?].

Feb^r 5th Joanna Daughter of Sam^l and [Elizabeth (Butman)] Ober.

. . . 19th Jonathan Son of Edward & Eleanor [Morgan] Butman.

. . . 27th Benjamin Son of Randal & [Susanna (Stone)] Presson [Preston?]. Mary Daughter of William & Mary [Tuck] Herrick.

March 11th Hannah Daughter of Joseph and [Hannah (Morgan)] Foster. Miriam Daughter of James and [Elizabeth (Biles)] Patch. Anna Daughter of Peter Groves jun^r & Anna [Eliot] Groves.

. . . 18. Charity Daughter of Dixey Morgan by his Wife Lucy [Taylor].

April 1^t Benjamin Son of Jonathan & [Elizabeth (Biles)] Byles.

15th Ebenezer Son of Edmund & [Experience (Sallows)] Ashby.

. . . 22^d Lydia Daughter of Peter Pride jun^r by his Wife [Jerusha (Trask)]

. . . 29th Andrew Son of James & Anna [Ober] Thorndike.

May 6th George Son of George & Mary [Lovett] Tuck.

. . . 13th Osmyn Son of William & [Sarah (Trask)] Cox.

. . . 27th Abigail Daughter of Thomas & Abigail [Pitman] Ober.

June 3^d Rebecca Daughter of Jonathan & [Mercy (Sallows)] Standly. Nathanael Son of Stephen & [Elizabeth (Lee)] Allen.

. . . 24th Elizabeth Daughter of Richard & Hannah [Smith] Butman.

July 1st Thomas Son of Joseph & Lydia [Lovett] Traske.

. . . 8th Mehitabel Daughter of Sam^l & Mehitabel [Butman] Stone.

. . . 15th Anna, Josiah & Daniel, Children of Josiah and [Anna (Lovett) Thorndike]. Benjamin Son of Benjamin and [Mary (Eliot)] Traske.

. . . 22^d Robert Hale Son of Benj^a & Eliz^a [Hale] Ives.

. . . 29th Ezra Son of Eleazar and Rebecca [Chapman] Giles. Eleanor Daughter of Cornelius & [Lydia (Thistle)] Woodbury.†

Aug^t 12th Elisha Son of William & [Martha (Woodbury)] Woodbury. Deborah Daughter of Benj^a & [Charity (Stone)] Roundy. Jemima Daughter of Mark & Jemima (Larcom)] Morse.

. . . 26th Ebenezer Son of Richard & [Abiel (Ellingwood)] Thistle.

Sep^r 2^d William Son of John & Anna [Clements, née Dodge] Rea.

[*] Sep: 9th Leonard Slew a man in years was baptized. Joanna Daughter of Andrew & Bethiah [Lovett] Balch.

. . . 30. Ichabod Son of John & Katherine [Leach] Groves.

Oct: 7. Susanna Daughter of Benj^a & Eliz^a [Giles] Jeffords. Anna Daughter of Ambrose and Mary [Taylor] Cleeves.

† First wife.

. . . 14th Hezekiah Son of Elisha & Joanna [Ober] Woodbury.

Nov^r 11th Jonathan Son of Thomas & [Elizabeth (Standley)] Patch.

. . . 18th David Son of Samuel Harris jun^r and his Wife [Abigail (Larcom)].

. . . 25 Samuel and Israel Children of Joseph [Israel?] and [Judith (Tuck)] Wood. Abigail & Molly Children of Israel Elliot deceased & [Mary (Trask) his wife] and Joshua Son of Timothy & [Abigail (Lucas)] Standly.

Dec^r 8 John Son of Joseph & Mary [Horsum] Pickett.

16th Lois Daughter of Ralph and Lois [Herrick] Tuck.

. . . 30th Charity Daughter of Livermore & [Mary (Gage)] Whitteridge.

January 27, 1744/5. Isaac Son of Paul and [] Woodbury.

Febru^y 3^d Abigail Daughter of Henry & Lyddia [Lovett] Blashfield.

. . . 17th Joseph Son of Benj^a and [Lydia (Herrick)] Woodbury.

. . . 24 Mary Daughter of Joshua & Abigail [Jacub] Herrick. Edward Son of Edward & [] Lovett. Israel Son of Benj^a & [Abigail (Groves)] Eliot.

March 3^d Richard Son of Richard & Lydia [Chapman] Ober.

. . . 10th Mary Daughter of Samuel & Mary [Thorndike] Foster. Daniel Son of Daniel & [Hannah (Creesy)] Wallace.

. . . 24th Hepzibah Daughter of Andrew & Eliz : [Wallis] Ellinwood.

April 14th Bethiah Daughter of Herbert & Abigail [Ober, *née* Conant] Thorndike.

. . . 28th Esther Daughter of Ebenezer and [Sarah (Tuck)] Ellingwood.

May 19th Rebecca Daughter of Jonathan & Rebecca [Wood] Smith.

June 2^d Jonathan Son of William & Eliz^a [Stone] Gage.

. . . 9th Jeremiah Son of Ezra and [Anna (Babcock)] Woodbury.

. . . 23^d Lydia Daughter of William & Eliz^a
[Putnam] Butman.

July 14th William Son of Israel & Juda [Tuck]
Wood.

. . . 21^t Mary Daughter of Jonas & [Sarah (Friend)]
Dodge. Benjamin Son of Benjamin and [Abigail
(Herrick)] Foster.

. . . 28th Bethiah Daughter of Josiah & [Rebecca
(Woodbury)] Lovett.

Aug^t 4th Anna Daughter of Ebenezer & [Priscilla
(Preston)] Williams.

[*] Aug^t 25. Elizabeth Daughter of Jonathan &
Eliz^a [Wood] Herrick.

Sep^r 29. Lydia Daughter of Nehemiah & [Abigail
(Allen)] Presson [Preston?]. Deborah Daughter of
Jonathan & [Elizabeth (Biles)] Byles.

Octob: 6. Thankful Daughter of Daniel & Abigail
[Butman] Batchelor.

. . . 13. Jonathan Son of David & Margaret [Wallis]
Ellinwood.

. . . 28th Jonathan Son of Sam^l and Abigail
[Larcom] Harris. Israel Son of Robert and Hannah
[Gray] Morgan.

Nov^r 3^d Issachar Son of Thomas & Lucy [Herrick]
Woodbury.

. . . 17th Lydia Daughter of Joseph & Lydia
[Lovett] Traske. Hannah Daughter of Cornelius &
[Lydia (Thistle)] Woodbury.

. . . 24th Charity Daughter of Dixey and [Lucy
(Taylor)] Morgan. Charles Son of Jeoffrey and Mary
[Butman] Thistle. Abigail Daughter of Joshua &
Joanna [Ober] Ellingwood.

January 5th 1745/6. Gideon Son of Josiah and
Experience [Haskins] Woodbury.

Febr 9th David Son of David & Susanna [Ober] Allen.

. . . 16 Daniel Son of Joseph Foster Tertius by his
Wife [Hannah (Trask)].

. . . 23 Sarah Daughter of John & Priscilla [Trask]
Traske.

March 2^d Herbert Son of James & Anna [Ober]
Thorndike.

. . . 9. Freeborn Son of Osman and Jane [Groves]
Traske.

. . . 16. Putnam Son of William & [Mary (Putnam)]
Cleeves.

. . . 23^d Asa Son of David & Lucy [Downing]
Larcum. James Son of James Patch jun^r by his wife
[Sarah (Babcock)].

April 6th Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer & Elizth
[Corning] Ellingwood.

. . . 13th Joanna Daughter of Andrew & [Joanna
(Dodge)] Woodbury.

. . . 27th Joanna Daughter of Jonathan & Rebekah
[Dodge] Thorndike.

May 4th Thomas Son of Thomas & Abigail [Pitman]
Ober.

. . . 11th Margaret Daughter of Henry & Hannah
[Sallows] Scerry.

. . . 18th Peter Son of Peter & [Jerusha (Trask)]
Pride.

. . . 25. Jane Daughter of Benj^a & Abigail [Groves]
Elliot.

June 8th Sewel Son of William & Eliz^a [Sewel]
Tuck.

. . . 15. Rebekah Daughter of Benj^a and Eliz^a [Hale]
Ives. Jeremy Son of Ezra and [Anna (Babcock)]
Woodbury.

July 13th Samuel Son of William & [Elizabeth
(Woodbury)] Ellingwood.

. . . 28th Nehemiah Son of Nehemiah & Annis
[Bradford] Presson [Preston?]. Molly Daughter of
William & Mary [Putnam] Cleeves.

Aug^t 31^t Andrew son of Ambrose & [Mary
(Taylor)] Cleeves.

Septem^r 7th Elisha Son of George & Mary [Lovett]
Tuck.

. . . 21^t Theophilus Son of Theophilus & [Sarah
(Williams)] Hul. Mary Daughter of Jeremiah Butman
jun^r & Hannah [Willard his wife].

October 12th Joseph Son of Stephen & [Elizabeth
(Lee)] Allen. Elizabeth Daughter of Sam^l & [Elizabeth
(Butman)] Ober.

[*] Oct^r 19th Israel Son of Peter and Anna [Eliot] Groves.

. . . 26th Phinhas Son of Sam^l and Rachel [Tuck] Bean, of Falmouth in Casco. Ezra Son of Richard & Lydia [Chapman] Ober. By Rev^d M^r Pickering.

Nov^r 9. Susanna Corning, a young woman was baptised. Mary Daughter of Richard & [A] Bial [Ellingwood] Thistle.

30th James Son of James & Sarah [Batchelder] Chapleman.

Dec^r 7th Joseph Son of Joseph & Ruth [Haskell] Wood.

. . . 21st Hannah Daughter of Joshua & Abigail [Jacub] Herrick.

January 4th 1746/7. Joseph Son of Joseph & Mary [Horsum] Pickett.

. . . 25 John Son of Livermore & [Mary(Gage)] Whitteridge. Mary Daughter of John & [Rachel (Tuck)] Porter.

Feb^y 15th William Son of Paul & Mary [Woodbury] Haskol.

March 1st Sarah Daughter of Ebenezer & Eliz^a [Corning] Ellingwood.

. . . 8th Ralph Son of Ralph & Louis [Herrick] Tuck.

. . . 15th John Son of John & Rachel [Tuck] Porter.

April 5. Eliz^a Daughter of John & Eliz^a [Leach] Bradford. Lydia Daughter of Sam^l and Mary [Thorndike] Foster.

. . . 12th Jonathan Son of Jonathan & [Mercy (Sallows)] Standly.

May 3. Hannah Daughter of Daniel & Hannah [Creesy] Wallis. Anna Daughter of Theophilus & [Sarah (Williams)] Hull.

. . . 24th William Son of William [&] Mercy [Trask] Haskol.

. . . 31st Sarah Daughter of Benj^a and Sarah [Ellis] Ober. Annis Daugh^r of Simon and [Eunice(Warren)] Bradford.

June 7th Joseph Son of Nicholas and [Lydia(Eliot)] Woodbury.

. . . 14. Abigail Daughter of Benj^a & [Abigail (Herrick)] Foster.

July 5th Judith Daughter of Samⁿ and Judith [Ober] Woodbury.

. . . 12th William Son of Jonathan & Eliz^a [Wood] Herrick.

. . . 26. Henry Son of Henry and Lydia [Lovett] Blashfield. Anna Daughter of Joseph & Hannah [Morgan] Foster.

Aug^t 9th Sarah Daughter of David & Rebekah [Grover] Montgomery.

. . . 16th Rebekah Daughter of Nath^l and Sarah [Ober] Crensy. Anna Daughter of Benj^a & Anna [Woodbury] Cleeves.

. . . 30th Lucy Daughter of Jonathan & [Elizabeth (Biles)] Byles.

Sep^r 6. Thorndike Son of Jeffry and Mary [Butman] Thistle. Thomas Son of Ebenezer and [Priscilla (Preston)] Williams.

Octob^r 4. George Gallop & Jonathan Corning young men were baptised the same Day. Sarah Daughter of William and Eliz^a [Stone] Gage. Abigail Daugh^r of Robert and [Hannah (Williams, *née* Preston)] Woodbury. Jonathan Son of [] & [] Knowlton. [*] Sarah Daughter of Henry & [Sarah (Roundy)] Phelps, and Hannah Daughter of James & [Margaret (Sallows)] Thistle.

Octob. 11th Rebekah Daughter of Peter & [Lydia (Foster)] Ober.

Nov^r 8th Asa Son of Thomas & [Lucy (Herrick)] Woodbury.

. . . 22^d Elizabeth Daughter of John and Elizabeth [Leach] Tuck.

. . . 27th Joseph Son of Benj^a & [Lydia (Herrick)] Woodbury. Joshua Son of Elisha and [Joanna (Ober)] Woodbury. Luke Son of Andrew & [Anna (Morgan)] Thorndike.

Decem^r 20th James Son of William & Mary [Tuck] Herrick. Henry Son of John & Priscilla [Trask] Traske.

. . . 27th The wife of David Corning was baptised, named Priscilla.

January 3, 1748. Mary, Martha, Anna, Emma, Eliz^a, Children of David & Priscilla [Thistle] Corning. Mary Daughter of Samⁿ & [Sarah (Brown)] Cole.

. . . 17th Elizabeth Daughter of Richard & Eliz^a [Coy] Hood.

. . . 31. Eunice Daughter of Ebenezer Ellingwood y^e 3^d by [Elizabeth (Corning)] his wife.

Feb^y 28th Abigail Daughter of John & Elizabeth [Leach] Tuck.

March 6. Samuel Son of Samuel & Abigail [Larcom] Harris. Rebekah Daughter of Benj^a & Sarah [Ellis] Ober.

. . . 13th Elizabeth Daughter of Josiah & [Rebecca (Woodbury)] Lovett.

. . . 22^d Hannah Daughter of Jeremiah & Hannah [Willard] Butman.

April 17th 1748. Elizabeth Daughter of Joseph Foster 3^d by [Hannah (Morgan)] his wife. Ebenezer Son of Edmund & Esther [Ellingwood] Giles.

May 8th Elizabeth Daughter of Thomas & Lydia [Elwell] Cary.

. . . 15. Joanna Daughter of Thomas & Abigail [Pitman] Ober.

June 5th Abigail Daughter of Thomas & Abigail [Stephens] Davis.

. . . 26. William Son of Nehemiah & Annis [Bradford] Presson [Preston?]. Mary Daughter of Paul & Abigail [widow of Herbert Thorndike, *née* Ober] Thorndike.

July 17. Ebenezer Son of William & Eliz^a [Sewal] Tuck.

24. Mary Daughter of Samⁿ & Mary [Chapman] Stone.

Aug^t 21. Mary Mullin an old woman was baptised, and also Elizabeth Daughter of Benj^a & Eliz^a [Ober] Smith.

Sep^r 4. Ruth Daughter of Benj^a & [Mary (Elliot)] Traske. William Son of William & Mary [Whittredge] Langdel. Lydia Daughter of Benj^a & Eliz^a [Giles] Jeffords.

[*] Oct 9th Mary Daughter of Richard & Lydia [Chapman] Ober.

Nov^r 20th John Son of John & Elizabeth [Leach]
Bradford. Mary Daughter of Joseph & [Ruth (Haskell)]
Wood.

Dec: 18th Lydia Daughter of Benj^a & Abigail
[Rutland] Pickett.

. . . 25. Israel Son of Benj^a & Abigail [Rutland]
Pickett. Sarah Daughter of Joseph [and] [Anna
(Thistle)] Foster.

Jan^y 15th 1748/9 William Son of Joshua & Joanna
[Ober] Ellingwood.

. . . 22^d Mary Daughter of David & Susanna [Ober]
Allen.

Feb^r 5th William Son of William & Bethiah [Maxwell]
Lovett. Thomas Son of Stephen & [Elizabeth (Lee)]
Allen. Rebekah Daughter of William & Bethiah [Cleaves]
Ober.

. . . 12th Joseph Son of Jonathan & Rebekah [Dodge]
Thorndike.

. . . 19th Edmund Son of Ambrose & Lucy Taylor
[Query: son of Ambrose and Mary (Taylor) Cleaves].
Benjamin Son of Jonathan & [Elizabeth (Biles)] Byles.

. . . 26. Samuel Son of Samuel & Mary [Chapman]
Stone.

March 19th Daniel Son of Richard & [Abiel
(Ellingwood)] Thistle. Dorcas Daughter of Sam^l & Juda
[Ober] Woodbury. Mary Daughter of John &
[Elizabeth (Rea)] Roundey.

. . . 26 James Son of Benj^a & Rebecca Roundey.

April 2^d Mary the Wife of Joseph Baker.

. . . 16th Rebekah Daughter of Benj^a & Anna
[Woodbury] Cleaves.

. . . 23^d Hannah Daughter of Peter & Anna [Eliot]
Groves.

. . . 30th Hannah Daughter of Andrew & [Joanna
(Dodge)] Woodbury. Mary Daughter of Joseph & Mary
[Horsum] Pickett.

May 7th Elizabeth Daughter of Benj^a & Abigail
[Herrick] Foster.

. . . 14th Eleanor Daughter of William & [Elizabeth
(Woodbury)] Ellingwood. Hannah Daughter of John
and Rachel [Tuck] Porter. Samuel Son of Jonathan &

Rebecca [Wood] Smith. Robert Son of Joseph & Mary Baker.

. . . 21. Hannah Daughter of Ebenezer & Eliz^a [Corning] Ellingwood.

June 4th Joanna Daughter of Joshua & Abigail [Jacub] Herrick. Margaret Daughter of Samuel & Abigail [Larcom] Harris.

. . . 18th Rebekah Daughter of William & [Mary (Putnam)] Cleaves. Joseph Son of Andrew and [Anna (Morgan)] Thorndike. Andrew Son of Joseph & [Elizabeth (Davis)] Giddings. Robert Son of Andrew & [Abigail (Ellingwood)] Stone. Benjamin Son of Titus & Joanna [Allen] Standley. Ebenezer Son of Israel & [Elizabeth (Raymond)] Woodbury.

July 30th Charity Daughter of Nathan¹ & [Abigail (Dike)] Woodbury. Job Smith a Lad of 16 or 17 years of age.

Aug^t 6th Martha Daughter of William & [] Patch. Molly Daughter of Robert & [Hannah (Williams, née Preston)] Woodbury.

[*] August 14th John the Child of Sarah Oakman a Single woman was baptised.

27th Judith Daughter of Israel and Judith [Tuck] Wood. Andrew Son of Andrew & [Abigail (Ellingwood)] Stone. Paul Son of Paul & Mary [Woodbury] Haskol.

Sep^r 3^d John Son of James and [Margaret (Sallows)] Thistle. Thomas Son of Ebenezer & [Priscilla (Preston)] Williams.

Sep^r 16 David Son of Benj^a and Susanna [Corning] Ellingwood. Marcy Daughter of Jonathan & [Mercy (Sallows)] Standley. Andrew Son of Benj^a & Elizabeth [Ober] Smith.

Octob^r 22^d James Son of Benj^a & Eleanor [Cleaves] Lovett.

Nov^r 5. John Son of Abraham & [Abigail (Stone)] Knowlton.

. . . 27th Robert Son of Robert & Abigail [Preston] Roundy.

(To be continued.)

THOMAS GARDNER, PLANTER, AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

BY FRANK A. GARDNER, M.D.

(Continued from Vol. XXXIX, page 184.)

In 1771 (March 11), he was chosen constable, but he secured David Smith as a substitute, and was excused. He served on the school committee in 1771 and 1772.* His signature was appended to an open letter in regard to a hospital, under date of August 23, 1773.† He was chosen selectman March 8, 1773, but was excused later. He served on a committee to receive and sort votes at the town meeting held March 1772, and on a committee to procure a second fire engine in October, 1774. An account was allowed him Jan. 5, 1784, amounting to £82, 12 shill. and 2 pence. He was a member of the grand jury in 1792 (Sept. 3) and 1798 (Oct. 8.)* In 1803 he was a member of a committee to distribute federal votes in ward 3.‡

CHURCH.

Henry Gardner with many others conveyed to Thomas Barnard Dec. 4, 1772, a lot of land on the southeastern corner of what is now North and Lynde Streets, in Salem, for the erection of the North Church. This lot measured 128 1-2 feet on the highway "to the North River Bridge," and 88 feet on the other highway.§

Dr. Whittaker's church having been burned in the great fire of Oct. 6, 1774, Henry Gardner and the other proprietors sold the lot of land on which it stood, Feb. 1, 1775, for £615, 18 shill. 4 pence.|| He was one of the contributors to the North Church, and one of the

* Town Records.

† Essex Gazette, Mar. 22-29, 1774.

‡ Salem Gazette, Apr. 1, 1803.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 181, leaf 121.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 135, leaf 225.

forty-two proprietors who purchased the lot on North street, above described, and which they later conveyed to the minister, Thomas Barnard.*

REVOLUTIONARY.

The address which was sent to Governor Gage, in 1774, bore his name as well as that of his brother Weld.† In 1775, Henry Gardner removed with his family to Newfoundland and remained there until 1781. The following document shows how his absence was regarded by the patriots of Salem: "We the Committee of Correspondence &c for the Town of Salem in the County of Essex, certify that Mr Henry Gardner late an Inhabitant of said Town has absented himself from it upwards of three months leaving Estate real and personal behind him to the Value of Twenty pounds and more without this State and that we verily believe from the best Intelligence, we can obtain, that s^d Henry Gardner voluntarily went to our Enemies, and is still absent from his Habitation and usual place of abode and is without this State.

Richard Derby Jr. Chairman { of the
Committee
of the Town
of Salem

Salem 2^d March 1779."‡

"Essex fs. Agency for the Estate of Henry Gardner late an Inhabitant of Salem in said County Merchant an Absentee, was granted to David Felt who gave bond with Miles Ward Jun^r and Dan^l Cheever as Sureties faithfully to execute the Trust of his said Agency, and to render an Account thereof when and so often as he shall be thereunto lawfully required. This second Day of March Anno Dom. 1779.

Dan. Noyes Reg^r B. Greenleaf J. Prob^a
Exam^d pr Dan. Noyes Reg^m ‡

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 130, leaf 117.

† Essex Gazette, June 11, 1774.

‡ Essex Probate Records, book 333, leaf 386.

"Inventory of the Estate of Mr. Henry Gardner of Salem Merchant, an Absentee from this State, as appraised by us the Subscribers.

1 Chaise	£100 :00 :00
Schooner. Sally. burthens abt. 45 Tons with her Appurtenances	2250 :00 :00
Schooner Seaflower burthen abt. 65 Tons with her Appurtenances	3500 :00 :00
About two Acres Land in Danvers	200 :00 :00
(Total)	6293 :12 :00
Ballance of David Felt Acc ^o	188 :11 :09
	6482 :03 :09

1 Cable w^t 8.2.7 lent.

Salem July 13, 1779, Errors excepted David Felt, Agent.

Miles Ward Jun ^r	} Appraisers sworn."
Daniel Cheever	
Joseph Henfield	

"Essex is July 14, 1779. Then Mr David Felt Agent presented the aforesaid written and made Oath that it contained a true and perfect Inventory of the Estate of Henry Gardner late of Salem an Absentee, so far as has come to his Hands and knowledge and that if anything further shall hereafter appear, he will cause it to be added.

before me B. Greenleaf J. Prob^a."*

We learn from depositions preserved in the records in the office of the Registry of Deeds, that before he went he ordered Mr. David Felt to distribute "his Corn and Rye and other grain" to the poor of Salem. Mr. Felt also deposed that sundry persons, who had been prisoners in Newfoundland, had given to Mr. Felt on their return to Salem, various sums of money which said Gardner had advanced to them while in captivity. His taxes were paid by Mr. Felt during his absence. The document

* Essex Probate Records, book 353, leaf 515.

further stated that said Henry Gardner was friendly to the American prisoners, and that he did not return to Salem "till late in the spring of the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one." Col. John Hathorne testified that Henry Gardner was friendly to American Prisoners while he was absent.*

Peter Murray testified that he sailed from Salem, on a vessel owned by Henry Gardner, in March, 1775, to the West Indies, and that they went from there to Newfoundland where they found Capt. Henry Gardner, who received the vessel and cargo in July or August of that year. That the said Gardner had his wife and family there etc.*

He lived in Malden during the latter part of his life.

REAL ESTATE.

Henry received as his share of the estate of his father Samuel, a lot of land on the south side of what is now Central Street in Peabody, measuring two and a quarter acres.† This he sold June 5, 1790, to John Bushby for £38.‡ He also received one-third of his father's pew holdings, and one common right in the "Great Pastures."† He sold the latter Apr. 30, 1800, to Mary Pickman, jr., for \$60.§

He loaned various amounts on mortgages, and in one of such transactions had Baker's Island, containing 60 acres more or less, deeded to him as security.‖ He was one of the owners of Union Wharf, and with the other owners, appointed Edward West their attorney to recover for land taken near them, April 14, 1809.¶

Henry Gardner married October 19, 1769,** Sarah Turner, daughter of John and Mary (Osborne) Turner.†† She died in Boston, in May, 1809, aged 61.‡‡

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 174, leaves 72-73.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaves 11-13.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 154, leaf 145.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 165, leaf 255.

‖ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 133, leaf 122; book 144, leaves 101 and 186; book 145, leaf 98; and book 146, leaf 200.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 195, leaf 28.

** Salem Town Records.

†† Pickering Genealogy, p. 184.

‡‡ Salem Gazette, May 12, 1809.

He died, in Malden, November '8, 1817, aged 71.* Appraisers were appointed Feb. 11, 1818. He left no will. The heirs petitioned to have the Rev. Aaron Green appointed administrator. When the estate was divided, the following were each given one-third: — Elizabeth Gardner, Mary T. Gardner, and Eliphaz Jones, "in right of his wife deceased."† A small part of the estate amounting to \$20, was not included in the amount administered by Rev. Aaron Green, and Sarah Gardner Sears, a great granddaughter, petitioned to have Charles Hall Adams appointed administrator, June 2, 1886.†

Children:

- 223. SAMUEL, bap. Sept. 28, 1770;‡ probably d. young.
- 224. ELIZABETH, bap. Sept. 20, 1772;§ d. May 5, 1834.
- 225. SARAH, bap. Sept. 20, 1772;§ d. young.
- 226. MARY TURNER, b. 1777,|| bap. June 1781;§ d. Nov. 11, 1833.
- 227. SALLY, bap. March 1782;§ d. June 29, 1818, at Belchertown;¶ m. Apr. 17, 1814, Eliphaz Jones. Child, Mary Turner, b. August 4, 1814; d. July 8, 1846; m. Nov. 10, 1835, Seth Richards.
- 228. MARIA ELIZA, bap. July 20, 1788;§ d. Nov. 14, 1833, at Enfield.**

161 **Capt. Jonathan Gardner**, the only son of Jonathan and Sarah (Putnam) Gardner, was a well known merchant of Salem. He dealt in general merchandise such as hemp, duck, sail cloth, sheeting, sugar, etc., at his warehouse on Union Wharf. March 24, 1800, he offered the barque Galen for sale.††

Jonathan Gardner

He was a Federalist in politics, and frequently served on committees of that party in Ward 2. The town offices held by him were as follows: school committee, 1791-3;

* Salem Gazette, Nov. 14, 1817; and Pickering Genealogy, p. 184.

† Middlesex Probate Papers, No. 6173.

‡ First Church Records.

§ North Church Records.

|| Pickering Genealogy, 5-VII-30.

¶ Salem Gazette of July 3, 1818.

** Salem Gazette of Nov. 22, 1833.

†† Salem Gazette of Mar. 25, 1800.

overseer of the poor, 1790-2; board of health, 1800; and fireward in 1801.* In 1793, he was elected selectman, but was excused from serving. His name appears in a list of the directors of the South Salem Bridge Corporation, when bids were asked for the building of the same in 1808.†

He served on the petit jury in 1794 and 1806, and on the traverse jury in 1812.* The office of treasurer of the Marine Society was held by him for many years.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

The following record is given in the "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Revolution," v. vi, p. 271:—"GARDNER, JONATHAN (also given 3d), Salem. Petition dated Boston, Oct. 10, 1780, signed by Sam. Ward, in behalf of himself and others, of Salem, asking that said Gardner be commissioned as commander of the brigantine "Union" (privateer); ordered in Council Oct. 10, 1780, that a commission be issued; also, Captain, brig "Union;" descriptive list of officers and crew sworn to Nov. 3, 1780; age, 25 yrs.; stature, 5 ft. 5 in.; complexion, brown; residence, Salem." It is also probable that he is the Jonathan Gardner referred to in the same records, as 2nd Lieutenant and later Commander of the sloop Tyrannicide, between June 3, 1776; and Feb. 20, 1777; and as 1st Lieutenant of the ship Bunker Hill, Nov. 4, 1778.

His name appears in the list of volunteers from Salem for service in Rhode Island, in Capt. Samuel Flagg's Company.‡

He gave \$30 in 1802 toward levelling and laying out Salem Common.§

REAL ESTATE.

Jonathan Gardner inherited from his father, the homestead on Essex Street, on the lot now occupied by the Essex Institute. It was left to his son William

* Town Records.

† Salem Gazette of Aug. 9, 1808.

‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. v, p. 130.

§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. iv, p. 80.

Fairfield Gardner, who sold it Oct. 8, 1834, to Tucker Daland for \$5000.* The house was removed to the southeast corner of Bridge and Washington Streets.† Mr. Daland erected the present building upon the lot, and his executors sold it May 27, 1862, to Dr. Benjamin Cox, jr.‡ The Essex Institute purchased it of the heirs of the Cox estate, Feb. 13, 1886.§

May 25, 1792, he bought of the heirs of Francis Skerry (including James Gardner (No. 167), and his wife Margaret) a lot of land on the western side of "Ferry Lane" (Bridge Street) measuring 3 1/4 acres.|| This was sold by his son William Fairfield Gardner, to Samuel Roberts, Aug. 30, 1823.¶

He purchased of Samuel Cheever, tanner, for £200, April 3, 1792, an acre of land on the eastern side of what is now Winter Street, with the "buildings,* Vats, tools, and implements."*** Jonathan Gardner had previously owned this land having purchased it of his uncle John Gardner (No. 110) Dec. 12, 1788. It joined other land of Jonathan's on the south. He offered this tan-yard for sale or rental, March 1, 1796.††

In 1798 (Mar. 29) he bought of William Cabot, a lot of land in South Salem, on the western side of "the highroad" from Salem to Marblehead,‡‡ and on the 6th of the following month, he purchased of John Lowell of Roxbury, "guardian to two of the Grand children of Francis Cabot," 3 acres and 104 poles in the same section of the town.‡‡ He sold land in South Salem to Hannah Poynton and Josiah Woodbury in 1802, and to William Chisholm in 1805.§§ He bought several lots of land at "Stage Point," of Elizabeth Dewing, and Samuel Ward, between 1789 and 1793.||| Peabody Street was laid out over his land in August 1820.¶¶

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 278, leaf 70.

† Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. IV, p. 30.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 638, leaf 243.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 1108, leaves 222-3.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 165, leaf 52.

||| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 232, leaf 253.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 164, leaf 189.

†† Salem Gazette of March 1, 1796.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 165, leaf 172.

§§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 171, leaf 261; book 173, leaf 33; and book 176,

leaf 195.

||| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 150, leaf 114; book 151, leaf 189; and book 156,

leaf 225.

¶¶ Town Records.

He bought of Lynde, William, and Thomas Walter of Boston, and others, April 16, 1801, one eighth part of the South Mills in Salem,* and obtained another eighth by execution from his uncle John Gardner (No. 110) July 12, 1813.† Another portion of this mill (one-sixteenth) he bought of Benjamin Lynde Oliver for \$700 in 1819.‡ He sold one-eighth of the mill to John Barton, for \$1187, in 1814.§

He was one of the proprietors of Union Wharf,† the Union Market,|| and the Assembly House.¶ His name occurs in connection with many other real estate transfers, either personally or as treasurer of the Marine Society. He owned many rights in the Great Pastures,** and loaned large amounts on mortgages.

Jonathan Gardner married, first, Sarah Fairfield, daughter of Dr. Fairfield of Wenham. They were married in Salem, November 26, 1791. She died December 23, 1795, aged thirty years.†† The Salem Gazette of December 29, 1795, alluded to her as follows:

"She was a woman of native worth, and of the most useful accomplishments. She possessed a chearful temper, but her manners were always without offence. Her readiness of thought from her tendernefs of mind, was incapable of exciting disgust, or doing an injury. From her natural disposition, her charity was equal, and constant. Her affability was directed by an uninterrupted flow of affection, towards all who approached her. Her conversation was chaste, her friendships sincere, and a uniform ease and satisfaction attended her in all her domestic employments. . . . She has left the husband she loved, and one child, and can never be left from the memory of her friends, who love the virtues she possessed. Her aged mother demands our most sincere condolence."

He married for his second wife, October 27, 1799,‡‡ Miss Lucia Pickering Dodge, daughter of Israel and Lucia (Pickering) Dodge. She was born June 16, 1768, and died March 24, 1812.

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 167, leaf 271.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 2, p. 23.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 218, leaf 214.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 205, leaf 44.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 160, leaf 297.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 161, leaf 164.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 167, leaf 272; book 169, leaf 109; book 179, leaf 83; and book 211, leaf 227.

†† Gravestone in the Charter Street Burying ground.

‡‡ Salem Town Records.

Jonathan Gardner died September 26, 1821. He left no will, and his son William Fairfield Gardner, was appointed administrator, November 20, 1821.*

Children :

229. JONATHAN, bap. Aug. 8, 1793; d. Dec. 17, 1795.

230. WILLIAM FAIRFIELD, b. 1794; d. June 12, 1851; m. Jan. 11, 1827, Elizabeth G. Barker, daughter of George and Abigail B. (Devereaux) Barker. He graduated from Harvard College, in 1815. While still a student at Harvard, his grandfather, Israel Dodge, gave him a lot of land on the western side of what is now Lafayette Street, measuring ten acres.† He inherited a large amount of land from his father, and in 1836, was awarded \$9042 on French claims.‡ He sold his share (2 1-2 sixteenths) of the "City Mills," which had been in the possession of his ancestors so many years, for \$2250 to Thomas H. Prince, in 1846.§ He lived in a house which stood on the present location of Fairfield Street. The house was situated well in from the street, and the large and beautiful garden in front of it, is well remembered by the writer. The Salem Register of June 16, 1851, contained the following notice of his death. — "On Thursday, very suddenly, William Fairfield Gardner, Esq. 57, one of our most esteemed and respected citizens. The excellence of Mr. Gardner's character was based on strict integrity, and an unostentatious, pervading sense of religious feeling. Modest and unassuming in his deportment, he neither borrowed nor needed aid from false pretence. Relying on conscious rectitude and good intent, in the most quiet and unpretending way, he thought and acted with entire independence. Mr. Gardner was a graduate of Harvard College, of the class of 1815, many of whom in this immediate neighborhood are still proud to claim him as an early and long continued friend. Retiring in his habits, and averse to public display — inheriting an ample competence, he indulged his taste for natural pursuits, and the cultivation of the beautiful in nature and art. His eye sought the fines pencillings of nature in her most attractive forms — he breathed more freely amid the fragrance of her flowers, and surrounded by the products of her richest bounty. In his disposition he was kind, affectionate, and indulgent

* Essex Probate Records, book 23, leaf 17.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 138, leaf 139.

‡ Salem Gazette, of April 12, 1836.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 363, leaves 108-9.

He had a heart to feel and devise liberal things, and his hand was ever ready to contribute to the wants of the needy and the claims of all useful objects. His sudden and unexpected removal has thrown a deeper gloom over a home already saddened by repeated visitations, and has made desolation more visible and tangible." The Salem Observer alluded to him as follows: — "Of him it may be said as of one in olden time 'behold an Israelite indeed in whom is no guile.' Born and reared in the midst of wealth and its temptations, our friend has presented to the world a bright example of a meek and humble spirit, worthy the discipleship of him, who 'went about doing good.' . . . Upright, conscientious, benevolent and tenderly affectionate, he will long be remembered and deeply lamented by all who enjoyed the privilege of his acquaintance. For the poor and distressed, he had a heart to feel, and a hand open to relieve; — as a member of society, he entertained an active sympathy and ready concurrence in all enterprises for advancing the best interests of his fellowmen."^{*}

In his will, dated June 13, 1833, he left his entire estate to his wife, Elizabeth G. Gardner.† She was appointed executrix.‡

162 John Gardner, the elder son of John and Sarah (Derby) Gardner, was a merchant and master mariner. He was in the retail business until 1798, but in that year he sold out his stock of "Cut Goods," including brown linens, bedticks, Britannias, etc., and offered his store for rental.§ Later he conducted a large wholesale import business at his warehouse on Union Wharf, where he sold sugar, coffee, cocoa, dyewood, mahogany, broadcloth, Peruvian bark, indigo, spices, etc., etc.||

The brig Hazard was the most noted of the vessels owned by him before the war of 1812. She made many famous voyages, including the following: from Permambuco to New York in nineteen days; to Rio de Janeiro in thirty days; and from Calcutta to Boston in sixty-five days. From the Salem Gazette of Jan. 15, 1813, we learn that she was captured by the British sloop

^{*} Salem Observer of June 14, 1851.

[†] Essex Probate Records, book 416, leaf 27.

[‡] Essex Probate Records, book 192, leaf 15.

[§] Salem Gazette of Feb. 9, and Nov. 27, 1798.

^{||} Salem Gazette of May 8, Oct. 14, Dec. 9 and 16, 1806, etc.

of war Sylph and ordered to Bermuda, but was recaptured by the American privateer Montgomery, Capt. Benjamin Upton, and Mr. John Gardner and the crew were put on board. His business was ruined by the war of 1812, but he started again about 1818 in company with his son John. The best known ships owned by him during this period were the Commerce, Osgood and Ceres. They were commanded by his sons John and Thomas West Gardner, and many voyages were made in them between the dates above mentioned.

In politics he was a Federalist, and an active worker in the interests of that party in Ward 2, frequently serving on committees.* He was a selectman in 1800 and 1801, and a member of the school committee in the latter year. In 1806 he served on the fire department committee.†

He was drawn on the petit jury in 1797 and 1810, and served his town as representative to the General Court in 1802. John and his brother Richard, co-partners in business, gave \$175 toward the laying out of Salem Common in 1802.‡

He attended the preliminary meeting Dec. 30, 1796, at Sun Tavern, in regard to the Salem and Danvers aqueduct.§

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The most important holding of John Gardner was the Gardner Farm on the road between Salem and Danversport, which had been owned and improved by his father, until Dec. 3, 1811, when he conveyed the eastern half containing 64 acres to Elizabeth Gardner, sister of John Gardner (5th Gen.).|| John (6th Gen.) bought it back from his aunt Elizabeth, Oct. 9, 1817, for \$3306.66.¶ At this time the entire farm contained 193 acres. He mortgaged the property to her for a like amount on the same date, and this was discharged, Aug. 31, 1819.¶ Nathan Robinson, and his wife Eunice held a claim upon the western portion of the farm (over 128

* Salem Gazette of Mar. 30, and May 15, 1804; Mar. 29, 1806, etc.

† Salem Town Records.

‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. iv, p. 86.

§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. ii, p. 106.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 138, leaf 65.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 215, leaves 210-211.

acres) which had been granted upon an execution to Ebenezer Beckford, father of Eunice. This was settled by John (6th Gen.) March 31, 1819, for \$7418.* Other mortgages upon this property were held in 1817 by John Derby; in 1819 by Joseph Peabody and John Derby; in 1820, by Joseph Peabody; and later by Pickering Dodge, Joseph Osborn and Nathaniel West.† Henry Gardner, son of John, assumed these mortgages and paid off the Joseph Peabody mortgage in 1843, and that held by Nathaniel West, Nov. 6, 1848. Later he bought contiguous lots of various parties until the present farm contains 210 acres. It is now owned by the heirs of Henry. It is one of the few large farms in the neighborhood of Salem, to remain undivided for the past one hundred years.

He bought of his father, December 21, 1809,‡ the lot of land on Essex Street next east of the Essex Institute, and erected upon it the large brick mansion still standing and now owned and occupied by Mr. David Pingree. John Gardner sold the house and lot to Nathaniel West, April 25, 1811, for \$13,333.33.§ He continued to live in this house until the fall of 1814, when he moved to another house in town (unknown) where he resided until 1820 when he moved to the farm. The later history of this house has already been given in this series of articles.||

The property known as the South Mills, figured in transactions similar to those mentioned in connection with the farm,¶ until it was sold Jan. 11, 1830, to Nathaniel West for \$1500.**

The lot on the southeastern corner of Pleasant Street (now Washington Square East) and Andrew Street, was bought by him March 18, 1806, of Joseph Phippen,††

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 218, leaf 271.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 214, leaf 165; book 218, leaf 272; book 221, leaves 202 and 236; book 223, leaf 194; book 225, leaf 67; book 231, leaf 292; book 243, leaf 251; book 245, leaf 70; book 255, leaves 152-3; and book 261, leaf 152.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 190, leaf 281.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 193, leaf 77.

|| Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXVII, p. 380. (Deprint p. 84.)

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 231, leaf 222; book 245, leaf 70; and book 255, leaves 152-3.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 255, leaf 151.

†† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 178, leaf 187.

and sold June 20, of the same year to Benjamin Babbidge.*

In 1818 (May 17) he bought of the heirs of Ebenezer Beckford, a lot of land on the western side of Newbury Street (now Washington Square West) which had been taken from his father by execution and sold it on the same day to John Andrew.†

Among other real estate holdings of his were the house and land on the south west corner of Essex and Liberty Streets,‡ his shares in the "New Assembly Hall" (now Hamilton Hall), on the corner of Cambridge and Chestnut Streets,§ and the Union Wharf property which he bought back from John Barton.||

He married November 9, 1793, Sarah West,¶ daughter of William and Sarah (Beckford) West. She was born February 19, 1772, and died December 27, 1846.¶

John Gardner died August 25, 1847, aged 76. The Salem Gazette, of the 27th of that month, referred to him as follows :

"On Wednesday, of Typhus fever, John Gardner, Esq. aged 77,—a highly respectable citizen, and formerly an enterprising merchant. Whilst Mr. Gardner was engaged in commerce, he was celebrated for the beauty and model of his ships. Having been unfortunate he made a large adventure shortly before the declaration of war, in 1812, in the Marquis de Someruelos, and went himself on her voyage. His success was fully commensurate to his anticipations and he would have again been restored to affluence, but almost in sight of his port he was captured and carried into Halifax, and all his sanguine calculations blasted, he not having been insured against a war, a risk which he had not anticipated. Mr. Gardner built, and until his misfortunes, resided in the spacious mansion on Essex street, now occupied by David Pingree, Esq., in which the late Joseph White was murdered. He died at the well known Gardner Farm in North Salem, which has been his place of residence for many years."

Children :

231. SARAH, b. Feb. 3, 1795; ** d. June 16, 1801.**

232. JOHN, b. Aug. 6, 1796; ** d. Feb. 17, 1870, at New Brighton, N. Y.; m. Danvers, Mass., Aug. 19, 1822, †† Maria Cecella,

* Essex Registry of Deeds, book 179, leaf 203.

† Essex Registry of Deeds, book 216, leaves 42-3.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 243, leaf 194.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 201, leaf 174.

|| Essex Registry of Deeds, book 214, leaf 205.

¶ Salem Records.

** Family Records.

†† Danvers Town Records.

Endicott, dau. of John and Mary (Putnam) Endicott. Children: 1. John Endicott, b. Aug. 3, 1823;* d. Nov. 22, 1864;* m. Anna Rosa Hunber, daughter of an English merchant. 2. Mary Putnam, b. Dec. 25, 1825;* d. Dec. 18, 1827.* 3. Emily Maria, b. Rio de Janeiro Nov. 15, 1830;* d. Nov. 13, 1901;* m. Nov. 11, 1867, Robert Rayner,* son of Edward and Henrietta (Wagner) Rayner. 4. Samuel Endicott, b. Salem, Jan. 14, 1833;* d. Feb. 1833.* 5. George Endicott, b. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, May 4, 1835;* unmarried. 6. William, b. Sept. 9, 1836; d. July 2, 1837.*

John Gardner engaged in business with his father in Salem from 1818 until 1828. During this period he sailed many voyages as commander of the ships Ceres and Commerce. Later he went to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and as a member of the firm of Coleman, Gardner & Co., was very successful. He maintained a princely establishment, the magnificence of which has been described in glowing colors by Salem people who were his guests. Business reverses came, and after a residence there of about twenty years, he returned to the United States, and settled in New Brighton, Staten Island, in 1851. He then engaged in business in New York, under the firm name of John Gardner & Co.

233. THOMAS WEST, b. Apr. 10, 1798;* d. in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, about 1845;† m. Mary W. Peirce,* dau. of John and Nancy Peirce.‡ Children: 1. Thomas F., b. Salem, about 1833;* m. in Rio de Janeiro twice, to natives of Brazil.* 2. Henry, b. Pottsville, Pa., 1835;* d. Salem, Mass., July 19, 1888;§ m. Salem, June 23, 1863, Sarah E. Jelly,§ dau. of John and Martha B. (Gale) Jelly. 3. Mary, b. Rio de Janeiro, about 1838; d. Rio de Janeiro; m. Rio de Janeiro, Peter Nicholson, an Englishman.* 4. Charles W., b. Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 4, 1840; m. Salem, Sept. 3, 1861,§ Melvina T. Hitchings, dau. of Abijah and Eliza (Treadwell) Hitchings. Charles W. Gardner enlisted in Co. A, 50th Regt. Massachusetts Volunteers, August 19, 1862. He was mustered into the service, Sept. 15, 1862, and served until Aug. 24, 1863. He is at present a letter carrier in Salem.

Thomas West Gardner in his early life, sailed as commander of one of his father's ships. Later he went to Rio de Janeiro, where he continued to reside until his death.*

234. SARAH, b. Sept. 28, 1802;* d. Jan. 7, 1865;§ unmarried.
235. SAMUEL, b. Apr. 12, 1800; d. Wolfboro, N. H., Sept. 7, 1856;||

* Family Records.

† Salem Gazette of May 6, 1845.

‡ Gravesites in Harmony Grove Cemetery.

§ Salem Records.

|| Salem Gazette of Sept. 12, 1856.

unmarried. He lived on his father's farm, and later at Ossipee, N. H.*

236. GEORGE, b. Dec. 5, 1804;* d. Somerville, Mass., 1843; unmarried. He was a sea captain in early life, but later lost his health.*
237. MARY ELIZA, b. Oct. 6, 1806;* d. Aug. 13, 1875;* unmarried.
238. HENRY, b. Sept. 27, 1809; d. Jan. 20, 1890; m. Feb. 20, 1866,† Elizabeth R. Gillis, dau. of James D. and Lydia (Richardson) Gillis. Children: 1. Elizabeth West, b. Feb. 2, 1867. Resides in Salem. 2. Elinor Putnam, b. Mar. 28, 1870;* m. June 4, 1896,† Harry Sutton, s. of William and Lucy S. (Daniels) Sutton. They reside in Salem. 3. Henry, b. June 8, 1872. He is a mechanical engineer, and lives in Salem.

Henry Gardner was a merchant. He went to Rio de Janeiro as early as 1833 and returned to Salem about 1845.* He lived for many years at the farm on the road to Danvers, but for the last thirty years of his life, resided during the winter, in his house on the northwestern corner of Chestnut and Hamilton streets in Salem. In 1843 and 1848, he bought, of Joseph Peabody and Nathaniel West, their rights in the Gardner farm,‡ and in 1846 purchased of the same Nathaniel West, the house on the southern side of Barton Square, which had been occupied formerly by Gen. Samuel Gardner Derby.§ He was a member of the Taylor Club in 1848,|| and was interested in historical matters, being one of the contributors to the Essex Institute fund, for the purpose of preserving the manuscripts.¶ He was one of the officers of the Salem Savings Bank from 1864 until his death in 1890, serving as Vice President during the last fifteen years of his life. In 1874 he was elected President of the Gas Company, having served as Director for many years prior to that date. He owned many vessels in the foreign merchant service, including the barque Hazard, the Herald, Bunker Hill, Ceres and others. The Hazard, built at East Boston in 1849, was a famous barque, making some record voyages. She was lost in Old Man's Shoal off Nantucket. Capt. Andrew Barstow, who commanded her for many years, was lost at sea on another vessel owned by Henry Gardner. In the rebellion Henry Gardner showed his patriotism by refusing to have the flag changed on his ship

* Family Records.

† Salem Records.

‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 372, leaf 154; and book 404, leaf 15.

§ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 372, leaf 155.

|| Salem Gazette of July 28, 1848.

¶ Essex Institute Bulletin, v. II, p. 75.

at Calcutta, when urged to do so, to insure a cargo which he could not get under the American flag. The ship returned in ballast.

239. ELIZABETH BECKFORD, b. Oct. 3, 1816.* A bright, intelligent lady still living in Salem, to whom the author is much indebted for valuable information, cheerfully given.

164 Richard Gardner, the younger son of John and Sarah (Derby) Gardner, was, like his brother John, a merchant and ship master. They were in partnership at their warehouse on Union Wharf. Later (in 1810) he was located at 28 Derby Wharf.† He was master and joint owner with his brother John, of the Hazard, 215 tons, which was launched at Frye's Mills in 1798, and sailed for Cadiz and Gibraltar in November of that year.‡ He went many voyages in this and other ships, to Africa, India and China.§ In addition to the above named ships, his name has been published in the Gazette in connection with the ship Expert, the bark Moses, and the brigs Pilgrim|| and Susan.¶ He suffered as many other merchants did in the war of 1812, and his property was seized by his creditors, and his business ruined. He moved to Boston about 1813.** Several dividends were paid by him after he left Salem.†† He was a member of the board of health in Salem in 1804.

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Richard Gardner and his wife Elizabeth, inherited from her father, Miles Ward, jr., one-third of the house on the northeastern corner of Herbert and Derby Streets. They sold their share Jan. 30, 1800 for \$4000 to Joseph Chapman Ward.‡‡ This was the site of the residence of Captain John Gardner, second generation, before he removed to Nantucket, and an account of the other owners has been given in the article relating to him. §§

* Family Records.

† Salem Gazette, Aug. 10, 1810.

‡ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VI, p. 139; and v. VII, p. 208.

§ Salem Gazette, July 25, 1800; Mar. 31, 1801; and May 15, 1801, etc.

|| Salem Gazette, Sept. 1, 1809; Dec. 29, 1810; and July 28, 1812.

¶ Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 1, leaf 69.

** Essex Registry of Deeds, book 202, leaf 278.

†† Salem Gazette, July 18, and Sept. 30, 1817.

‡‡ Essex Registry of Deeds, book 186, leaf 104.

§§ Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXVII, pp. 232-3; reprint, p. 56.

(To be continued.)

ENGLISH NOTES ABOUT EARLY SETTLERS IN NEW ENGLAND.

THE following selections concerning some of our early New England families are intended as a supplement to the great work accomplished in this direction by Mr. Waters and are from his unpublished notes as well as from my own accumulations. Mr. Waters, in his twenty years of search, pretty well covered the direct references in the immense field of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury and a few minor courts, so that I have paid most attention to other minor courts and to other records for which he was unable to find time.

LOTHROP WITHINGTON.

*30 Little Russell Street, W. C.,
London, 1 March, 1902.*

CROMWELL.

JOHN CROMWELL, Malmesbury, Wilts, carryer, 23 December 1639. To be buried in churchyard of St. Paule, in Burrow of Malmesbury. To wife Edith part of the house I dwell in nexte the Forestreete, viz. the halle, entrey, shoppe and Buttermey, wth Rooms over same with the garden access to the Backside and to well for Water soe longe as shee said Edith keep herself in my name if shee shall not outlive lease from Burgess and Burrow of Malmesbury. To said Edith also 4 of best kine, best Bedd and furniture, the great kettle and middle post, all the pewter she brought when I was married to her, all the wood in the Backarde, 100 of cheese & 2 quarters of Malte, two fitches of Bacon, and the best fatted Pigg, the Table Board in the Hall wth frame, 2 Barrells, and use of presse in the Halle and all hir apparrell, lumes and woollen and all my howsehold Liñen. To sonne Thomas the Halle wth the chamber over wherein Ellinor the wife of Phillipp Cromwell my sonne nowe dwelleth and alsoe the lofte over the noste and 2 beste kine next to those given my wife, one halfe hundred of cheese and 4 Bushells of Malte and one halfe household stuffe not already given.

Item, I giue and bequeath vnto my sonne Phillipp Forty Shillings to be payd to him att his returne into England.

Item, I gaue vnto John Crumwell sonne of the said Phillipp Crumwell Fiue pounddes and my will is that Edith my wife shall haue the vse of the said Fiue poundes to breede and bring vpp the sayd John Crumwell vntill hee is fitt to be placed Apprentice.

Item I giue vnto Edith Daughter of the sayd Phillipp Crumwell Twenty shillings.

Rest to son Richard executor. Overseers, Robert Arche gent. and Thomas Burgess, yeoman.

Son Richard to keep the 6 kine till 25th of March next. M'ke of John Crumwell. Witnesses: Roger Jarrett, Thos. Burgess, William Smith. Proved at Chipperton 19 February 1639/40.

Inventory 20 January 1639/40 to Robert Arche, gent. and Thomas Burgess, yeoman, £204-16-4, exhibited 19 Feb. 1639/40.

Archdeaconry of Wilts, filed wills, 1639 (old number 53).

The above will of John Cromwell should interest a good many Salem and Boston families; for I suspect that here we have the father of Mr. Phillip Cromwell of Salem and of his younger brother, Thomas, who also came to Salem, though some years later. If I am correct in my surmise, then this will disposes of the (so called) tradition cherished by some of the American descendants of Thomas Cromwell (above named) of a descent from the immediate family of the great Lord Protector. Many years ago I found among the archives at the Royal College of Arms (Heralds' College) in London a pedigree drawn up by or for one of the Clarke family (born in Salem) in which an attempt was made to show that connection, but without offering the slightest evidence to establish it. Such investigation as I myself made in England was enough to show the wildness of that assumption. Moreover, the compiler of the pedigree even confounded his ancestor Thomas Cromwell of Salem with that rather interesting character Captain Thomas Cromwell of Boston.

Mr. Phillip Cromwell, whose occupation, as given on the records at Salem, was (at first) that of butcher or slaughterer, lived on the south side of Essex Street, between Derby Square and Central Street. His lot was next east of Richard Stileman's lot and the records show that his dwelling house stood there. In the Registry of Deeds (for Salem), book 1, leaf 57, is recorded a conveyance made 22: 1: 1659 by William Allen of Manchester and Elizabeth, his wife, of a parcel of land near the Meeting House containing eight poles, bounded north by the street, east by the dwelling of Phillip Cromwell, south and west by land of Richard Stileman, being three poles wide on the

street and running inward of the same breadth. Mr. Richard Stileman had made over his estate in Salem, 9 August 1647, to Elder Samuel Sharp and Elias Stileman senior as trustees for his son Samuel, describing it as a messuage between the dwelling house of Phillip Cromwell and the shop of Benjamin Felton, with the old house by the water side, and one acre of land whereon the two houses stood (B. 1 L. 3). In book 2 leaf 14 is recorded another deed of conveyance, made 12 April 1660, by Richard Stileman of Portsmouth in the county of Northfolke to Elias Stileman of the same of a dwelling house and one acre between the house and land of Phillip Cromwell on the east and on the west the dwelling house of Edward Wharton, the warehouse of George Curwin and the dwelling house and barn of William Lord, bounded north by the street and on the south butting on the river, near unto the Meeting House, with an old house at the lower end of the said land. Elias Stileman Senior of Salem released to the same Samuel Stileman's interest in this property, which he had held as feoffee from Richard the father of Samuel. Phillip Cromwell, butcher, conveyed to Major William Hathorne and Mr. Walter Price, feoffees in trust for his wife Dorothy Cromwell, widow of Allen Kenneston (or Kynaston) his house and "slater housen" etc., with the close containing about one acre whereon they stood, between the land of Elias Stileman west and a house of the said Phillip Cromwell's wherein William Lakes (or Lake) then lived, butting on the South River on the south and the street passing to the Meeting House on the north; also two acres adjoining the dwelling house of Jeffrey Massey on the east and an acre and a half that had been possessed by Allen Kynaston. The date was 9 April 1664 (B. 2 L. 77). The two acre lot must have been down near Beverly Ferry and the acre and a half was probably where the residence of Mrs. Emmerton now stands, formerly known as a Pickman house, afterwards Doctor Loring's. The old house referred to as on the lower end of the Stileman lot had belonged to Samuel Skelton and was sold by Nathaniel Felton to William Browne Senior, the land being described as lying against the land in the occupation of Phillip Cromwell.

Among the presentments made by the grand jury to the court at Salem was the following:

3: 12^{mo}: 1643 Phillip Cromwell, Peter Sims, Walter Knight and John Leech Senior for Lincing absent from their wyues. Also Thomas Tuck ibidem. And Wilim Wake. Item Capt. Trask for scales and waights being not hanged up according to order in ye mill.

Salem Court Records 9: 5: '47 Ph. Cromwell for Lincing from his wife seauen or eight years and in all that time not sending her any reliefe for herself or child he left wth her. Henry Swan testis. He bee enjoyned to goe ouer to England to his wife wth liberty to returne if he fee cause etc. before December.

The wife whom he left in England must have died before April, 1664, as shown by the deed above, when we find him with a wife Dorothy who had been the widow of Allen or Allan Kynaston. Mrs. Dorothy Cromwell is said to have died either the 27th or 28th of September 1673 aged 67 years (Savage), and he married Mary, the widow of Robert Lemon, 19 November, 1674. Lemon must have lived near the foot of English or Webb street. This wife died 14 November, 1683, aged 72 years, and he next married Margaret, the widow of John Beckett. Hence one of the two Becket houses became known for a time as the Cromwell house and Beckett's Lane (now Becket street) was long called Cromwell's Lane. This last wife outlived her husband, who died 30 March, 1693, aged 83 years, we are told. His estate fell to his only son and heir, John, who married Hannah, daughter of the first Jacob Barney, and followed his father's occupation. I think he lived between Union and Herbert streets and died, without issue, about 1699-1700. His heirs were his cousins Ann, wife of David Phippen, and Jane, wife of Jonathan Pickering, and their children.

Thomas Cromwell came over later than his elder brother Philip, and in company, if I remember aright, of his nephew John, whose estate his daughters inherited. Ann became the wife, first, of Benjamin Ager and next (26 June 1672) of David Phippen. Jane, the other daughter, was married to Jonathan Pickering, 19 March, 1665/6. Their father, Thomas Cromwell, was called a tailor in deeds, had a wife named Anne, and evidently lived near his brother, at the corner of Essex and Central streets. I do not know when he died. David Phippen was a shipwright of Salem and Boston and, dying, left a widow Ann and children Thomas (of Salem, mariner), Abigail, wife of William Furneux of Salem, ropemaker, Ann (or Anne), wife of Benjamin Ropes of Salem, cordwalner, and Elizabeth, wife of John Webb of Salem, mariner. Thomas Phippen had a wife Mary in 1714. The name Furneux (or Furneaux) I have seen as Furno, Furnex, Furnix, Furness and Forniss. The two latter forms now prevail. Jonathan and Jane (Cromwell) Pickering had numerous children (see the printed pedigrees of the Pickering family compiled by Mr. Ellery) of whom Elizabeth became the wife of Nathaniel Silsbee, joiner, and Mercy of Benjamin Smith. Another daughter, Sarah (unmarried), I found joining with her married sisters in 1714-1715 in the conveyance of real estate that had come to them from their cousin John Cromwell, whose will may be found on record in the Salem Court House, while that of his father, Philip Cromwell, will be found, I think, in the files of the Clerk of the Courts (under date of 1699).

Let me here refer to a mixing up of these Salem Cromwells with other families of the name. I never, in all my reading of the records

and files of the counties of Essex and old Norfolk, found the slightest evidence of a connection between them and the Newbury and Dover Cromwells. A study of the deeds in the present Registry of Deeds in Salem will show clearly that Philip the son of Giles Cromwell or Cromlon could not have been our Philip of Salem, as has been asserted.

HENRY F. WATERS.

PETERS.

WILLIAM PETER, of Bristol. Will proved 20 May, 1637. In the name of God Amen The fourteenth Daie of November Anno Dni 1635, I William Petre of the Cittie of Bristoll gent being sicke and weake in bodie but of good and pfect minde and memory (thanks be given to almightie God for the same) doo make and ordaine this my last will and Testament in mann^r & forme following. First I commend myself both soule and body into the hande of God my maker, and of Jesus Christ his onely sonne my onely Saviour and redeemer trusting and assuredly pswadeing myself that by and thorough his precious death and passion and not by any merrits nor deserts of my owne I shalbe made partaker of everlasting life and live wth him forever in his Kingdome. And my body I comitt to the earth from whence it came to be buried in Christian buriall. And as touching that little wordlye estate w^{ch} God in his infinite mercie bath lent mee in this world I dispose thereof as followeth Imprimis I give and bequeath vnto my children Grace Edward William and Andrewe twentie shillings apeece as a token of my love vnto them haveing nothing els to giue them. All the rest of my goods and chatteles plate and household stufte whatsoever I giue and bequeath vnto my eldest sonne Simon Petre whom I make and ordaine sole executor of this my last will and testament. In wittnes whereof I the said William Petre have hereunto set my hand & seale the daye and yeare first aboue written William Petre Signed sealed and acknowledged by the said William Petre to be his last will and Testament the daye and yeare above written in the presence of Richard Hooper George Hartwell Not. Pub.

Goare, 63.

EDWARD PETER of City of Bristoll, merchant. Will dated 14 April, 1638; proved 4 May, 1638. Buried in the crowd of St. Nicholas church in City of Bristol, and there between the two second arches from the stairs where my mother lieth buried. To Mr. Towgood M^{sr} in St. Nicholas church for his dues and duties in respect of my funeral and burial 40s. Mr. Till Addam M^{sr} in St. Walberowes church in Bristol whom my will is should preach my funeral sermon, for preaching the

same sermon £3. Poor people of parish of St. Nicholas in Bristol £5; poor people of the parish of the Holy and Undivided Trinity alias Christ Church in City of Bristol £3; poor people of the parish of St. Peter in Bristol 40s. To my brother George Peter £5, Sister Rowse £5, Aunt Alice Gleeson £5, Mother in law Anne Guy £5, Cousin Anne Morgan £5. Loving wife Margaret all that my messuage or tenements and lands, goods and other things thereunto belonging, situated in the marsh within the parish of Hanbury in co. Gloucester, now in tenure of my tenant, Edward Ferrett, and my messuages etc. in Corne street in City of Bristol wherein I now dwell, and at her marriage or decease unto son Edward Peters his executors and assigns. I give and bequeath unto said wife and unto Edward Peters, George Peters, Anne Peters, Elizabeth Peters, and Grace Peters, my sons and daughters etc. To son George the messuage etc. in Corne street where in my tenant Rycroft now dwells, and next adjoining my dwelling house, also those tenements etc. in Worshipful street, als the Shambles, which I have and hold by virtue of a grant made by dean and chapter of cathedral church of Holy and Undivided Trinity in or near city of Bristol, and twelve tenements etc. in Beare Lane in or near Temple street in parish of Temple of Holy Cross in city of Bristol. To daughter Anne my messuage etc. in Temple street wherein Wm. Heathcott now dwells. Whereas I promised my brother William Peters deceased to give unto his children hereafter named certain sums of money, now I give unto them in discharge of said promise the several sums of money following, i.e. Grace Peters so much as shall make up those monies I have already bestowed etc. £100, Simon Peters so much etc. £50, William Peters so much etc. £50, Andrew Peters so much etc. £50, to said sons at age of one and twenty years, and to daughters at age of twenty and one years or day of marriage. Provision made for release of dower of wife Margaret. Other gifts to children. There shall be thirty poor men having mourning gowns and other usual apparell at my funeral. Wife Margaret sole executrix, Friends Mr. Giles Elbridge and Mr. William Cann, merchants, overseers.

Lee, 53.

ABRAHAM PETER of Compton, parish of Marledon, county Devon, Esq. Will dated 19 August, 8 Chas.: proved 26 November 1632 by executor. Poor of Marledon and Colompton. John Peter my father deceased. To son John Peter tenements in Colompton in occupation of John Atkyns and Alice Jeffe. To daughter Alice Peter when 18. To sister Christian Worth Anne Peter Elizabeth Peter Alice Peter and

Cecilia Hill. Brothers in law Symon Worth and Richard Martyn the elder. Cosen Henry Dougdale the elder. Henry Dougdale the younger his son. To servants Abraham Langdon and others. Tenement in Dolbeare in Ayshporto by deed to second son Abraham. Kinsman Henry Parris. Residuary legatee and executrix wife Christian. Overseers Symon Worth and Henry Dougdale the elder. Witnesses Gyles Bastian, Elizabeth and Alice Peter and Henry Upton.

Audley, 115.

FRANCES PETRE of Cittie of Bristoll marchant bount to sea. Will dated 22 September 1629; proved 28 October 1630 by executrix. All to wife Anne and to be executrix. Witnesses Fraunces Townsent, Richard Petre, Adrian Frye my brother Edward.

Scroope, 82.

EDWARD PETERS of St. Lucas, 29 January 1649. To commissioners, etc.: Bill of complaint of William Skutt of the Towne & countie of Poole merchant that trading and dealing to seu'all parties beyond the seas amongst others he had correspondence with one Edward Peters of St. Lucas in the parts beyond the seas who about November and December 1648 did buy 24 buttes of new wines for his owne interest & entred them in the Custome house there in his owne name and not in the name of Andrew Peters or any other person &c. and the said wines being to be transported from St. Lucas into this Commonwealth the sd Edward being much indebted here took a bill of lading from Roger Martin master of the shipp the Providence in the name of Andrew Peters his brother then his servant or factor or the name of the said Andrew was used in trust for said Edward and soe consigned them unto your orator and soe your orator received the said wines and sattisfaccion hath bin demanded in the name of the said Edward and the said Andrew since his coming into England on collour of said Bill of lading hath also demanded an accompt etc. and hath prosecuted your orator for recovery thereof and your orator is also threatened to be sued for the value of same by the creditors of said Edward and Andrew or one of them and your orator having no remndie or witnesses beyond those inhabiting at St. Lucar and the said Edward being indebted to your orator more than the value of said wines and the said Edward and Andrew by combynation with others unknown seeking to defraud your orator of his iust debt and to recover doubly the value of said wines etc. and by reason that your orator is unable to procure his witnesses except at great charges etc. etc. your orator is remediless, etc. etc.

Chancery Proceeding Chas. I., B. & A., S. 131/68.

RUGGLES.

GEORGE RUGGLE, the elder, Sudbarea, Suffolk, clothier. Will dated 8 April 1616; proved 10 May 1616. To youngest sonne Jefferie Ruggle tenement I dwell in and out of said house £10 each to said Gefferie Ruggle's son John Ruggle and youngest son Samuell at 21 and his daughter (Susan) at 18 etc. etc. Jefferies now wife Susan to have tenement for life etc. To martine Harris and John Harris sonnes of my sonne in law Martin Harris £5 each, if they die to their mother Bridget Harris. To children of my eldest son John Ruggle 20s each, viz. George Ruggle 20s at 21, Phillip wife of George Hammonde 20s, Elizabeth 20s at 18 and Susan 20s at 18 etc. etc. To my son George Ruggle's children viz., George Ruggle, John Ruggle, Amos Ruggle, 20s each at 21 and Anne Ruggle, 20s at 18. To brother William's son Thomas 13s 4d. To my brother Edward 15s. and to his wife 5s to buy lynnens and to his children Nicholas Ruggle, Richard Ruggle and Marie Ruggle 6s 8d each, at 18. To Elizabeth Bushop 10s and to her 4 children 6s 8d, sons at 21, daughters at 18. To the childe of Fama Horne lately deceased 6s 8d at 21. To sonne in law Robert Alden 13s 4d and to his sonne Robert Alden ditto. To my brother Thomas Ruggle 20s and to his 5 children 6s 8d each sonnes at 21, daughters at 18. To George Ruggle child of my eldest sonne John Ruggle, £5 to freeleie impart when he comes to injoy it the peece of ground belonging to house where sonne John dwells to that parte where my son George Ruggle dwells otherwise the £5 to occupant of tenement where Mr. Jenkins dwells I quit claim as to house where sonne George Ruggle dwells and house where Nicholas Ruggle did dwell. To John Barrie 13s 4d. To Mr. Jenkins preacher at All Saintes 20s. To Mr. John Harrison preacher of God's word at St. Peeter & Gerogie, Sudburie 20s. To that reverend preacher of God's worde in London Mr. Bachelor 20s. To Mr. Peachie preacher of God's worde at Great W'dingfeilde 20s. To Mr. Sephery preacher of God's worde 20s. and to Mr. Greenwood 10s. To Mr. Sandes preacher of God's word at Boxford 20s. To Mr. James Allen Scholar 20s. To Mr. Rogers of Dedham preacher of Godes word 20s. To Mrs. Mills of All Saintes widow, 13s 4d and to her sonn John Milles 10s at 21 and if he die to his systers. To poore of All Saintes 20s ditto of St. Peter's 10s ditto of St. Gregories 13s ditto of hamlett of Balington 6s 8d. Rest, my buriall discharged, to my 4 children John Ruggle, George Ruggle, Gefferie Ruggle, and Bridget Harris equally. To Mr. Salles of Brissett 20s. To William Gullsonne of Dedham, Schoole Master, 29s and to Suzan Ruggle now my

wife, £10. Executors: sonnes John Ruggle and George Ruggle. Witnesses: Robert John, John Day, Thomas Tailer.
52 Cope.

NOTE. This will gives the family of the long sought George Ruggles of Roxbury.

BRADSTREET.

JOHN BRADSTREETE of Capell, Suffolk, yeoman. Will dated 25 February, 1608/9; proved 28 September, 1610. To wife Anne Bradstreete my messunge or tenement land, etc. situate and being in Bentlye until son John attain age of one and twenty years. Then to him and his heirs forever. To son John £40 at age. To wife Anne my tenement and ground belonging called New Biggins situate and being in Capell to Have and to hold until son Robert attain to age of one and twenty years etc. then to him and his heirs forever. To son Robert 4 score pounds at age of one and twenty years. To brother Thomas Bradstreete £30 in half a year, &c. Item I give unto Humfrey Bradstreete my neiphue £5 of lawful English money to be paid unto him at the age of one and twenty years. To Rose Barker, daughter of Daniel B., 50s. at one and twenty. To Daniel B., his son, 50s. at one and twenty. Residue to wife Anne whom I make executrix, and I make and appoint Anthony Rivers my uncle and William Blossie my brother in law my supervisors.
Wingfield, 2.

EDMUNDE BRADSTREET the younger of Benteley. Will 11 June 1531; proved 22 January, 1531/2. Sons William and Matthew; daughter Margaret, at day of marriage; wife Alice.
Suffolk, book 11, folio 27.

HENRY BRADSTRETE the elder of Bentlye. Will, 16 July 1565; proved 13 October 1565. Wife Ellen. Son in law John Cole. Brother John Fairebrother. My master Lionell Talmacke Esq. Henry Pike, my sister's son; Rafe Pike my sister's son. Jone Pike, my sister's daughter. John Pike, my sister's son. Edmund Pike my sister's son.
Suffolk, book 21, folio 166.

ROBERT BRADSTRETE. Will, 1 Dec. 1590; proved 20 January 1590. Wife Rose, house and lands in Estbholt. Son John B. and his heirs.
Suffolk, book 33, folio 273.

ROASE BRADSTRETTE of Cappell. Will, 21 October 1603; proved last February, 1603/4. Son Thomas and his heirs for ever my tenement in East Barfould on condition he shall not sell this four yrs. without license and good will of his brother John.

Daughter Roase. Son John 30s on condition he give to Humfry Bradstreete, my son's son, £3 if he live to age of 21 yrs. John Bradstreete the younger. Robert Bradstreete, my sons son.

Suffolk, book 39, folio 339.

HENRY BRADSTREET of Bentley, yeoman. Will, 3 October 1606; proved 4 November 1607. Thomas, son of brother Robert Bradstreet, Edmond Bradstreet the elder and his eldest son Edward Bradstreet, his youngest son William Bradstreet and his daughter Elizabeth Bradstreet. The children of Henry Jorden the elder viz., Henry, Thomas, Elizabeth and Aves Jorden. The children of Thomas Lewes of Bentley late deceased, Thomas, Alice, Aves and Raffe Lewes. Margaret Boyce, widow, my daughter in law, and her children Aves, Humfry, Grace, Gilbert and Margaret Boyce. Others.

Suffolk, book 41, folio 339.

JOHN BRADSTREATE, of Wheltham parva. Will, 22 September 1526; proved 25 February, 1531. Wife, children (under age), sister her husband and his daughter. Father in law John Frier of Hartest. Brother Roger Bradstreate, brother William.

Arch. Sudbury, 61 Longe.

ELENOR BRADSTRETE, late wife of Symond Bradstrete, of Gislingham, widow. Will, 1 September, 1556; proved 18 January, 1556. Buried in church yard of Gislingham. Son Richard Bradstrete, daughter Johan Muskett, daughter Cycelye Wayge. Son in law Symond Smyth otherwise Staynor. God daughter Johan Smyth als. Staynor. god son Thomas Smyth als. Staynor. God son John Bradstrete, son John Bradstrete. My three children, Richard Bradstrete, Johan Muskett, and Cycelye Wage. Son in law William Muskett. Robert Wage a witness.

Arch. Sudbury, 109 More.

MARGARET BRADSTREET of Sudbury, widow. Will, 2 October 1557; proved 4 October 1558. Buried in church yard of St. Gregory, by grave of husband John Croychon. Son in law John Courde and daughter Frances his wife. (A lot of Courdes.) Sister Agnes.

Arch. Sudbury, 252 Bell.

WILLIAM BRADSTRETE, of Buxhall, yeoman. Will, 3 February 1558/9; proved 9 February 1568/9. Buried in church of Buxhall. Wife Margery, son John, executors. Robert Marten, overseer. My six daughters Anne Bradstrete, Jane Bradstrete, Margaret Bradstrete, Helen Bradstrete, Martha Bradstrete, and Mary Bradstrete. Son Edward Bradstrete.

Arch. Sudbury, 533 Bell.

EDUARDE BRADSTRETE, of Buxall, yeoman. Will 3 September 1573; proved 25 September 1573. Margery Bradstrete my mother. Daughter Thomazine at 21. Brother John Bradstrete. William Bradstrete my late father (his will referred to). Brother in law Jefferye Packarde.

Arch. Sudbury, 229 Large.

MARGERIE BRADSTREAT, of Buxhall, widow. Will 20 September 1576; proved 6 February 1576-7. Buried in church yard by husband William Bradstreat. Daughter Mary Bradstreat, daughter Elizabeth Bradstreat. Daughter Jane, wife of John Grenelafe. Daughter Jone, wife of Jeffery Packarde. Daughter Martha, wife of Sebastian Man. Son John Bradstreat shall find Robert Bradstreat at the school 3 years. Eduarde Bradstreat, brother of above daughters (his will referred to). Cousin Roger Grome of Rattelsden.

Arch. Sudbury, 215 Wroo.

JOHN BRADSTREKTE, of Hedgsett. Will 29 January 1572; proved 7 April 1578. Wife Elizabeth. Son Roger, son Edmonde, son John. Daughter Anne.

Arch. Sudbury, 332 Wroo.

HUMPHREY BRADSTREET, of Gislingham, yeoman. Will 2 July 1618; proved 15 Dec. 1618. Wife Audrye all for life, then to son Christopher.

Arch. Sudbury, 221 Gibson.

ROBERT BRADSTRETE, of Aspell Stonham, yeoman. Will 24 April 1568, proved 12 July 1568. Buried in church of Stonham aforesaid. Wife Johan all lands and tenements in parishes of Great and Little Tynbergh now in occupation and of my brother John Braxstrete. Son Robert. Brother in law John Owney. Tenement houses and lands in Lambeth by London which my cousin John Birche, servant to Master Humfrey Seckford, hath recovered in my name and to my use. To younge John Braxstrete and young John Owney, to John Owney, Peter Owney, his son and to young William Scruton my god children to every one of them 6s 8d at 21 or days of marriage. Stephen Water my servant 6s 8d. Helen Owney my servant 6s 8d and William Hawfen my servant (in 1 year etc.). Michael Bull my sister's son 6s 8d and Alice Bull his sister 6s 8d (21 or day of marriage). Alice and Elizabeth Broxstrete my brother John's daughters 5s at 21. William, Johan. Elizabeth, and Alice Owney, my brother in law John Owney's children, 5s each at 21 or days of marriage. Alice and Katherine Owney, my brother in law Peter Owney's daughters 5s.

Arch. Suffolk, liber 22, folio 255.

JOHN BRADSTRETT, the elder of Yaxlee, Suffolk, yeoman. Will 17 January 1621; proved 29 March 1622. Wife Anne tenement in Stonham Aspall. Son John, son Thomas, son Robert.

Consistory of Norwich, 1 Bradstreet.

WILLIAM FISHER, Threlmingham co., Lincoln, gentleman. Will undated; proved 31 October 1616. Cosin William Lister, father in law William Whoolie, and brother in law Everat Goodman to make sale of goods before Michaelmas and procure marriage and wardshipp of my sonne William, remainder of goods and profitts of lands to be ymployed by them during William's minority and wife Elizabeth to have use of household stuff and plate till eldest sonn of age, giving securitie to two of said executors William Lister and Everat Goodman, and wife to have stocke for her joynture in lands etc. Brother Arthur Fisher to pay two £50 I am bound for him to cosin Edward Hartopps and executors to pay £50 to him as a legacy and to give marriage of my said sonne to him. To poore of this town of Thelmingham 40s to be distributed in Horblinge by Mr. Bradstreete, minister of Horbling. Whatever of fathers or mothers last will to be performed by executors. To sister Pullens children five marks each. To Mr. Bradstreete 40s. To said William Lister, William Whaley, and Everart Goodman five marks each. Charges for education of children to be borne by executors out of lands etc. Executors: said William Lister, William Whaley, Everart Goodman. Witnesses: Simon Bradstreete, minister, Marian Pullen, Henry Clippsham. Codicil (undated): To wife to stock her jointure lands 200 lambs, etc. If brother Goodman have need of money to have £300 at £8 in 100 during minority of children. If son William marry without consent son Francis to have grounds at Spanbye called "Wooes" etc. To Mr. Roger Rant Esq. £6 for debt To John Copeland, dwelling about Fulbecke, £4 do. I have bonds lying out discharged viz: One in Mr. Hughe Middleton's handes taken in name of one Griffin Pennar and one in his owne name which I know he will deliver vpon demand; one in Sir Nicholas Saunderson's hands in name of one of his sonnes £4, he received £4 of cousin Lyster and 30s. of one Leonard Townsend; likewise of three men who have ben under-sheriffs, viz. George Columbelle, Richard Barfoote, and Samuel Crathe; one of William Saull and Richard Wright: also Abraham Markham gent. Mr. Robert Rigdon oweth £22. Mr. Burton, parson of Boothbie Pannell, owes £10. To my sister Goodman the Bible which was my mother's. To my sister Vow 20s. to buy her the like. To servants a lambe each. To Pegge Guest, my wives knynewoman, 5 markes. Witnesses: Marian Pullen, William Allen. Second codicil

(undated) Executors William Lister Esq. William Whalley and Everett Goodman gentls to have discretion as to legacies etc. Witnesses: Marian Pullen, Henry Clyppham Thomas Stevens. Third codicil (undated) to a widow of Aslakbie served by Elizeus Wilbye 56s; to Parson Moore of Hollewell £8.18 in hands of his father-in-law Mr. Whaley etc etc etc etc. *97 Cope.*

BRADBURY.

EDWARD GILL, Little Courte, parish of Laystone, Herts, Esquire. Will 3 April 1616; proved 26 June 1616. To sonne Thomas Gill £800 of due Debts and rest of due debts to sonne Edward Gill. To son Edward Gill lease of Bandons in Antsey, Herts. Plate, household stuff had by each before marriage and purchased since to wife Dame Barbara for life then to be disposed by her to two sons or to Edward eldest son of son Edward except one needlework carpet to her absolutely. Of moneys to be paid at decease of wife Dame Barbara viz. to her nephew Mr. Wyman Bradbery £40, her niece Alice Yardley £20, to Barbara Bradbery £100 at marriage, if wife give my sonnes portions of goods to pay separate portions of debts aforesaid etc. etc. To poore of Layston 40s. Wife Dame Barbara executrix, who having dealt very friendly and bountifully with her Kindred, will execute will in kynd and faithful sort, but sons have authority to sue etc. etc. Witnesses: Alexander Strange, vicar of Laystone, Edward Hamond.

58 Cope.

COGSWELL.

ALICE COGSWELL, Westburie Leighe, Wilts, widowe. Will 25 June 1615; proved 11 May 1616. To be buried in Westburie churchyard. To daughter Margaret Marchaunt wife vnto Thomas Marchaunt £40, 2 paire of sheetes & 2 paire of pillstoues one of best gowns & one of best petticoates. Vnto Thomas's children Elizabeth Marchaunt £20, and Margerie Marchaunt, Alice Marchaunt, Margaret Marchaunt, Thomas Marchaunt, Philodelphia Marchount, £4 each. To Elizabeth Ernely £40, 2 paire of sheets, 2 paire of pillstowes, 1 of best gownes, & 1 of best Stammell petticoates & to Bridget Ernely, Catherin Ernely, Marie Ernely and Ann Ernely £4 each. To Margerie Wilkinge £40 and to Anthony Wilkinge and Anne Wilkinge children of John Wilkinge £4 each. Also to my daughter Margerie Wilkinges, ditto to Elizabeth Ernely. To sonne Anthonie Cogeswell £100 at 23 and to have his lyvinge of Ladborne at 21. To Jefferie Coggeswell £100 at 23. To Alice Collidge, Margaret Couche, Margaret Davies, Marie Franckline, and Anne Benson 20s. each. To George Cogswell £3.

To Edward Cogswell 5s. To Jane Morton, wife of Richard Morton of Melsone 5s. To poore 10s. To Westburie church 10s. To godchildren 12d. each. Rest to sonne John Cogswell, executor. Overseers, Jefferie Whetkory of Westburie and Anthonie Selfe of Dilton. No witnesses. Proved 11 May 1616. Confirmed by sentence same day in suit between Elizabeth Earnley als Cogeswell against son and executor John Cogeswell. and John Harte, notary public, gaurdian of sons Anthony Cogeswell and Jeffery Cogeswell interested parties.

53 Cope.

AXTELL.

NATHANIEL AXTELL, now or late of St. Peters near the borough of St. Albans, County Hertford, yeoman, being now proposed by the Grace of God to travayle to New England in the parts beyond the Seas. Will 17 August 1630; proved 12 June 1640. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Buckingham of Queen Epioth in New England, husbandman, £10 in one year, etc. To Richard Miles of same place, husbandman, all my wearing apparell both Linen and wollen and all my bedding and household stuff whatsoever in New England. To Mr. Peter Priddon, minister of God his word in New England £5 in one year, etc. Remainder to my two brothers Thomas Axtell and Daniel Axtell and my three sisters, Jeane, Ann, and Sarah, equally amongst them to be divided. Brother Daniel Axtell sole executor. Witnesses: Antho: Hudson, scr., Natha: Hudson his son.

82 Coventry.

HAWTHORNE.

JAMES HATHORNE, of Bentley, countie Southampton, yeoman. Will 4 April 1621, proved 23 June 1621. My body to be buried in the church yard of Bentley. To the church of Bentley, 6d. My will is that my wief Jonne Hathorne shall take of my rents of such lands I have during her life and give to Robert Bagin, my grand child, 20s a year during her life. I give to my (sic) Ann Bagin, widow, £4 10s. To my daughter Jonne Hathorne, £14 5s. To every of my daughters which are married, 40s a piece. To my son in law Robert Beale £6, to every one of his children 20s a piece. To my son in law John Langley to every of his children, 5s a piece. To every of son in law Mr. Ellis Hassell's children 5s 8d a piece. To my grand child Robert Bagyn £3 10s. To Ann Bagin my rand child, 20s. To Jonne Bagin, my grand child, 20s. To my grand child Mary Langley, £1. To my son Peter Hathorne, £14. To John Hathorne my son £10. To my god child James Eyre, 12d. To my son William Hathorne, a frame etc., after my wife's decease. To my son John Hathorne, one cubbard etc., after his mother's decease. Residuary

legatee and executrix: Jonne Hathorne, my wife. Overseers: my friends Mr. George Beale and my brother in law William Baker and to each 3s 4d. Witnesses: Edward Hill, James Hathorne. *Arch. Surrey, Peter, 100.*

HYDE.

KATHERINE HYDE of Clanfield, Oxford, widow. Will 16 January 1614; proved 27 March 1615, by Thomas Prince one of the executors named with power reserved for Thomas Prince senior and other executor. My body to be buried within the church of Clanfield. To James Hyde my son in law a little browne heifer which I bought of my brother Thomas Prince. To Isabel Porter my daughter in law £10 etc. To my father Thomas Prince my lease which I hold of Mr. Busbies living in Clanfield. Whereas I have confirmed to Ellen Carpenter my kinswoman £40 at twenty one or marriage, my will is that the said sum shall remain in the hands of my uncle Andrew Feild, provided that if my executors bring sufficient security to be bound to my uncle for the repaying of the same and yearlie to pay the profit of it to Rice Carpenter of Culham for to raise stocks for his other children and if Ellen Carpenter happen not to live, then the said £40 shall be divided among her brothers and sisters. Whereas I have given to Elizabeth Chapman my cousin £20, which £20 and the £40 aforesaid are payable out of my lease of Applesford Farm and whereas this £20 is also payable to the said Elizabeth at twenty or marriage, my will is the same remain in the hands of Anne Chapman my sister for the use of the said Elizabeth her daughter. To Katherine Chapman my cousin £5 to be paid to her mother for her said daughters use. To sister Anne Chapman my best gown etc. To my sister Carpenter £10 etc., to every one of her children now born 20s. To my sister Baker a gown etc. etc. To my brother Baker 20s, to his mother an angell in gold. To sister Johane Prynce my best hatt etc. To uncle Andrew Field a ringe of 40s. To my aunt Feild my best new holland sheete. To my cousin Henry Feild my little guilt boll. To my cousin Anne Feild and to my cousin Sara Feild to each a little wyne boll. To brother William Hyde my last wedding ringe and to his son six silver spoons which I had from Wicke farm. To Charles Hyde the son of Thomas Hyde my brother in law a guilt silver spoon with a W engraved. To my sister Lee a cutt ringe. To the son of my brother William Lee a silver spoon marked with my own childs name. To my brother Lee his daughter one of Wicke silver spoons. To my sister Dubber a ring. To sister Dubber's four children each a Wicke silver spoon. To my brother William Wilmott my husband Willmott's signet ring. To my sister

Wilmott of Henley my first wedding ring. To my god daughter Katherine Smythe my least wine boll. Whereas I gave my brother Edmond Prince £60, I will the same be paid to him in six months. To Ellen Carpenter my kinswoman a pettycoate etc. To Elizabeth Porter my daughter in law a skarfe with gould lace and her mother's gould? quoyfe. To Katherine Porter my daughter in law a pair of sheets, etc. To Johane Porter my daughter in law a pair of sheets, etc. etc. To Isabell Porter a cut cambricke stomacher filled with gold To William Porter my son in law 6s. To my father Ree and to my mother his wife 40s a piece. To Thomas Twisse minister of Clanfield a piece of gold of 22s and also to his wife my silke russett kirtle. All the rest of my wearing apparell shall be divided among my sisters and maid servants. To Henry Eve my servant £5. To William Hickyan my servant 40s. To Alexander Keate, Richard Buckingham and James Crippes my servants 20s apiece To William Acres and John? Akres my servants 40s a piece. To Anne Mabbat my servant 40s. To Margaret Hull my servant 20s. To Ellen Poice my servant 6s 8d. To these my god children after named 5s a piece, viz., Henry More, Frauncys Cleeter, Katherine Stevens, Katherine Speerwick, Katherine Hedges, and John White. Residuary legatee and executors: Thomas Prince my father and Thomas Prince my brother. Overseer: my uncle Andrewe Feild. Witnesses: Thomas Twysse, William Sperwicke, Nicholas Arnold, John Yeatman, Robert Adams.

Rudd, 26.

RICHARD FULLER of Chelmsford, Essex, fletcher. Will 23 April 1636; proved 8 June 1636. I bequeath my tenement in Chelmsford, which I late purchased of Luce Spite, to my wife Mary during her life, and after her decease to Charles my son. To Johan my daughter, during the lease which I have from Sir Henrie Myldemay of Molsham, knight, that parcel of land which I last planted with hoppes, she paying yearly during the said lease to her brother Charles 13s 4d. To Mary my daughter £15; and to Jane, Elizabeth, Elyne, and Tabitha, £15 apiece at their several ages of 21. Residuary legatees and executors: my wife and son Charles. Witnesses: Jo: Wallinger, John Fuller, Willm Fuller. Item I give unto my daughter Clemence, wife unto John Harris, which I forgat at the making of my will, 40s.

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